

Ottawa Recovers \$478,851,221 From War Supply Contractors

OTTAWA (CP)—The government did a little renegotiating and recovered \$478,851,221 from scores of war supply contractors. But it lost a \$90 fight with James C. "Little Caesar" Petrillo.

A paragraph deep in the bulky 1946-47 public accounts tabled in the House Friday relates how the National Film Board coughed up \$90 under the laws of Petrillo's American Federation of Musicians (A.F.L.).

Here's the story as Auditor-General Watson Sellar reported it:

The film board contracted with a producer for sound recordings for certain films. The contract covered the services of the members of the orchestra and a conductor. The music for the production, 'Occupational Therapy,' was written by a member of the board's staff, and the orchestra was conducted by him."

But the conductor, a member of the A.F.M., was not a member of the union local at the point of recording, and the union required a standby.

"Therefore, the board paid (a) the conductor's fee as included in the contract price of \$2,630; (b) the charge of \$90 for a standby conductor, and (c) the officer's salary for the period of recording."

The public accounts, giving the

Dominion's balance sheet for the fiscal year ended last March 31, deals for the most part with sums in excess of \$90.

They report, for instance, that \$478,851,221 was recovered after investigation and renegotiation of wartime contracts, and that there was a surplus of revenue over expenditure of \$373,600,000, compared to a deficit of \$2,123,000,000 in the fiscal year 1945-46.

Another \$4,627,491 in "excessive" war contracts still is outstanding. Gen. contractors, if they contest the government's demand for that sum, have recourse to the Exchequer Court.

Under law, the reconstruction minister may order refund to the Crown when he is satisfied the total paid a war supply contractor is in "excess of fair and reasonable cost of performance and of reasonable profit."

Honeymooners Back To Mark Birthday Of King Sunday

By NORMAN CRIBBENS
LONDON (CP)—The King will be 52 Sunday and like most family men he has chosen to spend his birthday quietly at the fireside with his wife, daughter and household dogs.

At the Royal Lodge, an unpretentious mansion in Windsor, the King, Queen and Princess Margaret will enjoy the simply furnished lounge.

Later Queen Mother Mary will join the family circle at a small birthday dinner at which roast beef or chicken, the King's favorite dishes, will be served. The return of Princess Elizabeth and her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh, from their honeymoon in Scotland will make the day complete.

Officially, the King's birthday will not be celebrated until next June.

Only last Thursday the King passed the 11th anniversary of

First Of 456 Donors To Attend Two-Day Clinic



Miss Joan T. Harris, left, a department store employee, and Mrs. Caroline Hoard, 550 Beach Drive, were the first persons to present themselves at this week's blood transfusion clinic held in the Britannia Branch, Canadian Legion Hall. The two volunteers wait while technicians determine their blood group. Standing at right is Technician Joyce Donegan, who travels about the province with the Red Cross clinic. During the two-day visit here 456 donations were made to the Red Cross blood bank.

his succession to the throne and friends remarked how little he had changed during the stormy years of his reign.

Apart from greying hair and certain tiredness around the eyes, he retains much of the youthful appearance that so well became him when as Duke of York he stayed at boys' camps named after him. He still has his boyish figure, abundant energy and a clear, healthy complexion.

WEARS GLASSES FOR READING

Recently he has taken to wearing glasses for reading. Among the papers on his wide-topped mahogany desk in Buckingham Palace is the first draft of his Christmas Day broadcast, which

he will rewrite many times before going on the air.

The King's attitude towards the broadcast has changed considerably since his coronation in 1937. Then he hated and dreaded

the ordeal. But so gallantly has he overcome the former hesitancy in his speech that friends say he now is enthusiastic over the annual talk to the Commonwealth.

She paid for the funeral and thus, on the same day, "Arthur Beaudoin" was interred.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A salvage collection for Fairfield, Fernwood and Mount Tolmie E 3413.

Announcing: University Extension Association, Dec. 15, 8:15 p.m., Central Junior High School; Dr. N. A. M. Mackenzie, C.M.G., president of University of B.C. (chairman); Dr. J. M. Ewing, principal, Victoria College; Mr. K. Drury, managing editor of the Vancouver News-Herald; panel discussant, "Commission Report on the Freedom of the Press."

He cannot have too many handkerchiefs, and here they are... Irish linens, initialed or plain, 35c, 50c and 75c at "Cee" Fietcher's Men's Shop, 735 Yates Street.

For the man who has everything. Roderick L. Haig-Brown's beautiful book, "The Western Angler," is the perfect Christmas gift. Buy your copy at the Marionette Library, E 1012.

Special Clearance of Hats at half-price—all new styles. Other groups \$2.95 and \$3.95. Gift script issued. La Mode Millinery, 713 Yates Street.

For Christmas! Reminiscences of soldiers, mountains and bears, of Northern Lights and searchlights, of Canada's jubilee service at Old Hastings, of pageantry at St. Paul's Cathedral, of peace and the lasting beauty of Vancouver Island, "Salvage," by Ethel Wood.

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The monthly general meeting of the Naval Veterans' Branch No. 42, Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L. will be held in the branch club rooms on Friday, Dec. 19, at 8 p.m. A full attendance of members is requested.

The regular monthly meeting of Ward 4 Saanich Ratepayers' Association will be held in the Marigold Scout Hall on Monday, Dec. 15, at 8 p.m.

The Third Annual Sub-Deb Christmas Ball, under the auspices of the Major J. H. Gillespie Chapter, I.O.D.E., will be held at the Empress Hotel on Monday, Dec. 29, 1947, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., with Len Acres' orchestra.

Tickets now on sale at the Owl Drug Co. and Empress Hotel.

Announcing December 15 opening—Aline's, 1179 Newport Ave., ladies' and children's ready-to-wear, dry goods. Call in for that last-minute useful gift. Avoid downtown rush.

Announcing December 15 opening—West Coast Vancouver Island—Overcast with rain becoming cloudy with showers this morning. Variable cloudiness this evening and tonight. Clear Sunday. Winds northwesterly 20-30 gusty.

Victoria and vicinity—Overcast with rain, becoming cloudy with showers during the morning and clearing about midday. Clear Sunday. Winds south-easterly 25, gusty, shifting to southwest, 30 during the morning and decreasing to southwest 20 overnight. Colder tonight.

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Up-Island Traffic Broken When Bridge Washes Out

Highway traffic and telephone service between Nanaimo and up-island centres were severed today as rain-swollen Englishman's River washed out the temporary Island Highway Bridge, one mile south of Parksville.

The central pier of the bridge went out this morning after the river began blowing over the deck of the bridge and eating away at the foundations of the structure.

Meanwhile all vehicular traffic between Parksville and Port Alberni has been halted by washouts on that road. It is understood that the road has been carried away in three places in the vicinity of Cameron Lake.

The B.C. Telephone Co. reported temporary service disruption between Nanaimo and up-island centres, but it is understood calls are being placed via Vancouver. Canadian Pacific Telegraphs reported their service between Victoria and up-island centres had not been disrupted in any way.

Special Train Service

Special E. & N. trains will operate between Nanaimo and Port Alberni Sunday when normally there is no train service.

Tomorrow the train will leave Port Alberni at 10 in the morning, arriving at Nanaimo at 1.40, and leave Nanaimo at 2.15, arriving at Port Alberni at 5.45.

This train will also carry Vancouver Island Coach Lines passengers between Nanaimo and Parksville. Buses will pick up Qualicum, Courtenay, Comox and Campbell River passengers at Parksville and carry them north while southbound passengers from these points will be carried to Nanaimo from Parksville by the special trains from Port Alberni.

At the same time the Coach Lines will give local service from Nanaimo to the Englishman's River Bridge and from Parksville to the bridge.

According to reports from Parksville the centre pier of the temporary bridge, erected following the rerouting of the highway from the old crossing of the river, went out this morning after the river had started flowing over the deck of the bridge. Other piers were endangered and it is thought they would go out before nightfall.

A new, higher steel and con-

Sun On Sunday

After a series of dull, damp days, Victorians will have the opportunity of enjoying a clear, sunny day for a change. The weatherman promises it for Sunday... all day.

The weekend started off badly this morning with a pelting rain but clouds were moving back out of sight at noon.

French Arrests Of Russians Bring Protest

PARIS (AP) — A Foreign Ministry spokesman said today the Soviet Embassy had protested new French arrests of Russian citizens at Paris and Marseille.

He said the note had been delivered this morning and was being considered. He was unable to give any details as to its contents or comment upon it.

The semi-official Agence France-Presse earlier had quoted the Soviet Embassy as saying Alexandre Abramov, the Charge d'Affaires, had noted a note to Jean Chauvel, Secretary-General of the French Foreign Ministry, asking the immediate liberation of those arrested.

Earlier this week the French government refused to accept a Soviet note protesting the expulsion of 19 Soviet citizens from France last month and Friday night it informed Moscow that it considered that action had been entirely legal and proper.

No MISTREATMENT

A Foreign Office note said the 19, whose expulsion was carried out at the height of the recent Communist-led strikes in France, were expelled in accordance with international law and usage and without mistreatment.

The French accused them of "interférence" in the affairs of France. The note was made public only a short time after the National Assembly had given Premier Robert Schuman's cabinet a new vote of approval in a debate on criticism of the French government by Lt.-Col. Raymond Marquie, Communist chief of the expelled French Repatriation Mission to Moscow. The vote was 411 for Schuman and 183 Communists against.

Honor For Foulkes

OTTAWA (CP) — Lt. Gen. Charles Foulkes, Chief of the General Staff, will be honored Monday in a ceremony at the Netherlands Embassy.

Cabinet Post Not Offered Her; Would Not Accept—Mrs. Hodges

"For some months past rumors have reached my ears from time to time to the effect that I have been 'mentioned' for a cabinet post," said Mrs. Nancy Hodges, M.L.A. for Victoria, today. "Whenever I have been approached as to the truth of such rumors I have promptly and categorically denied them as being without any foundation or emanating from any responsible source what ever."

"However, the rumor evidently persists, being fostered by the Vancouver News Herald, which, on the eve of the recent Liberal convention, accused me of maintaining a bargaining position."

"As I have no desire to embarrass Byron Johnson, the new leader, or make the task confronting him any more difficult than circumstances have already

Big 4 Foreign Ministers Take Day For Cooling Off

LONDON (AP) — The Foreign Ministers' session scheduled for today was postponed until Monday on British initiative, in order to allow tempers to cool after Friday night's violent argument.

The postponement was announced by the conference secretariat.

A member of the United States delegation said it was agreed that another session today would only result in quick tempers and confusion. The two-day recess will give the ministers time to plan a course of action.

Authoritative sources said the U.S. delegation agreed the conference was "hopelessly deadlocked" on the subject of reparations and that without agreement on reparations, discussion of economic and other subjects was useless.

State Secretary Marshall is expected to decide during the weekend whether to try and break off the conference immediately or go through the function of finishing

the agenda before doing it. Part of the decision will depend on the attitude of Foreign Minister Molotov at the opening of the Monday meeting.

Molotov was understood to be willing that the sessions continue. A Soviet spokesman said the future of the parley would depend on Marshall.

HOPES FADE

Some of Marshall's advisers said privately they believed Molotov's attack Friday, when he denounced the whole range of the western powers' policy in Germany, had killed all hope even for superficial Big Four agreements on Germany and that little if anything could be accomplished by going on here.

Others contended Marshall might better avoid a move to end the conference immediately because of the possibility of the upsetting effects throughout Europe of such a formal Big Four break.

Fear For Safety Of Missing Man

Inspector Harry Mercer, chief of detectives, today issued a request to persons who know the whereabouts of Arthur Hampson, 39 years, from the Ss. Estevan to contact his department as soon as possible.

Mr. Hampson left the ship at 6 on the evening of Nov. 30 and has not been seen since. He left behind \$60 in cash, a cheque for one month's pay, a steamer trunk, club bag and a large pocket watch.

He is described as being five feet, seven inches tall, fair complexion. He had no overcoat. He has a right glass eye.

Fear for his safety is felt in view of his failure to return to the place where his money and belongings are.

VANCOUVER (CP) — Butter prices rose another two cents a pound here today, bringing the retail price to 69 cents and upwards to 74 cents in some stores. Wholesalers reported the increase was necessary to meet demand from eastern markets.

CHECKLEY, Staffordshire — The nave roof of the 11th-century church here has been damaged by the death watch beetle.

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THE FREE WAY

THE PRINCIPLE OF PRICE CONTROLS
—a subject which has prominently engaged the attention of Parliament during the current session—is one that involves consideration of a complete mode of national life rather than merely a financial measure which carries no further implications. We in this Canadian democracy believe that the best manner of arranging our economic well-being is to impose governmental controls on free enterprise only to the extent that temporary maladjustments may make them necessary. The "normal" condition should be free competition with government intervention only to prevent injustice and chicanery. That is the Liberal philosophy, and it works.

Yesterday's attempt by the C.C.F. members in Ottawa to have the government's power to impose price controls continued until Dec. 31, 1948, was in reality a minor phase of that party's general policy of placing all the business and industry of the country under full and permanent controls. There lies the sharp and fundamental cleavage between the Liberal and the Socialist programs. In voting to extend price controls only to next March 31—the end of the fiscal year—the government was acting on the principle that wherever possible these trade restrictions should be removed. It is obvious, of course, that some may still be required after that date, and in such cases, on a selective basis, they may be later extended. But there will be no blanket, long-range continuation of governmental powers to interfere needlessly in the Canadian economy.

Such a policy is clearly in keeping with the fundamental principle of free enterprise. There are numerous countries in the world today in which governments, less closely wedded to the tenets of democracy, have clung tenaciously to the powers which were vested in them in the critical days of wartime emergency. Canadians may be proud that their government has not suffered such delusions of grandeur and claimed authority which has no place in the free enterprise system. The old saying that "good government is the least government" is still a basic truth, and the situation on this continent, where the highest standards of living in the world prevail, is an argument in its favor that will not be downed by leftist or rightist theories.

THE GOOD EARTH

DESPITE THE DIFFICULTIES OF WAR time publication and the austerity regulations of the present day, The Times of London has continued to uphold its high standard of excellence in many fields, not the least its presentation of artistic pictures of scenic beauty. In the airmail edition which came to our desk recently an outstanding piece of photography has caught the freshness of new-turned furrows in an Ontario ploughing match. As art, the display carries adequate appeal. But we see beneath the attraction it holds for the eye a more important appreciation. It symbolizes for us the vital importance of fruitful Canadian soil to a people who must depend on the produce of this land for much of their food. It is suggestive of the crops that are to come, of harvests which may relieve the scarcity and monotony of the British table. It is a picture which might claim the value of many thousands of words of type.

POOR PILOTING

THE FLOOD OF VITUPERATION WHICH has characterized Russian "diplomacy" in the past few months is being continued in the sessions of the "Big Four" Foreign Ministers' conference at London—and it is having the same effect on the Soviet's wartime allies as it had at Flushing Meadows, at Lake Success, over Moscow radio and in Russian periodicals. To put it bluntly, such tactics are causing nothing but irritation and disgust.

Yesterday's outpouring of bitter attacks on France, Britain and the United States, in which Mr. Molotov renewed his offering of insults, and repeated charges which had already been denied on previous occasions, was an exhibition that drew from United States Secretary of State Marshall a comment which was shared by the other western powers. Said the American representative: "It is very difficult to have any respect for the dignity of the Soviet Government." Britain's Foreign Secretary Bevin observed merely that Mr. Molotov should have had the courtesy to thank his hearers for sitting through such a tirade.

The affairs of a mighty nation like the U.S.S.R. have come to a pitiful state when its voice in the counsels of the world echoes only insults and untruths. If such verbal barrages are intended principally for the consumption of the citizens at home, surely the Kremlin must realize that their very in-temperateness must sooner or later produce an adverse reaction. If the charges are retailed for home consumption but the denials are never admitted, the Russian citizen must sooner or later notice that fact and wonder what lies back of it. If, on the other hand, the Soviet leaders are really aiming

their oratorical shafts in an attempt to speak to the people of the democracies, then Moscow is making a mistake that is tragic in its revelation of misunderstanding and lack of perception. Russia ended the war high in the regard of all the western peoples for her valor, her industrial achievement and the sterling qualities of her citizens. It is history to record that through stupid official handling of her subsequent relations this great power has bungled her chance?

THEY WON AS A TEAM

IT WAS INEVITABLE THAT THE PUBLISHED story of the late United States Gen. George (Blood and Guts) Patton, with its bitter criticism of Field Marshal Montgomery, should draw a sharp answer from those in a position to weigh the merits of the brilliant British soldier. Mr. Richard McMillan, British war correspondent, is one of those who has furnished a reply. In it he attributes the tirade by the American figure to jealousy. It is not our purpose to add fuel to the fires of disagreement. What we wish to point out is simply this: Under the superlative direction of Gen. "Ike" Eisenhower, all forces of the Allied command in Western Europe worked as a team to defeat the Nazis. They achieved magnificent victory. That is the thing to be remembered. Leaders with different personalities naturally had different opinions on the manner in which various phases of the campaign should have been waged. After the event, many speculations could be offered over possible results if other tactics had been tried. Such conjectures may properly be the right of military men. It is highly unfortunate, however, that opinions should be so tinged with personal censure. Surely the world today has sufficient unavoidable animosities without the provocation of more which have their origin in events successfully concluded and now relegated to history.

AMONG THOSE WHO SERVED

FOR BE IT FROM US TO PROVOKE A controversy over the political outlook or activities of students at the University of British Columbia. Nor are we inclined to view with any favor a reported "minority of 70 devotees (which) gets its information from the Cominform" and may be actively communistic. Yet, in view of Student President Grant Livingstone's assertion that the U.B.C.'s other 9,000 students think for themselves, we are not disposed to accept without question the contention of Msgr. Francis Chaloner, chaplain of St. Paul's Hospital, Vancouver, that a "moral vacuum" surrounds the university, subscribe to his fear that "a handful of Communists" are taking over the campus.

If recollection serves, we seem to remember that almost every generation of youth has been regarded either as "wild" or radical by its elders—a conventional opinion that appears to come with age in most cases. But as far as the University of British Columbia is concerned we find ourselves confronted with the fact that the tremendous overcrowding existing in that institution is the result of the overwhelming influx of veterans who are picking up again the threads of education they dropped when they answered their country's call. Is that the type of material in which an imported ideology may be expected to flourish?

RULE BY FORCE?

ADDING NEW COMPLICATIONS TO the friction which already exists in Palestine is today's report that three Jewish groups are manoeuvring for power over the new state now being born in extreme travail. That sections of the community should seek to advance their own theories for the administration of the nascent homeland is natural. Democratic practice furnishes the basis on which political leadership may be established.

The report, however, indicates that Haganah, Irgun Zvai Leumi and the Stern Gang are aspiring to achieve dominance through control of the army. This, of course, may be a temporary expedient necessitated by the troublous conditions which exist in Palestine. On the other hand, the implication that control will rest with the particular faction which acquires command of the forces carries within it the seeds of a type of government repugnant to all who seek the establishment of freedoms as the cornerstone on which a state should stand.

Disregarding the disastrous example of Hitler in Germany, the world still has before it the unhappy symbol of government by army control in Spain. Is this the pattern on which the underground in Palestine wishes to build the new home?

WHAT IS SO RARE . . .

"**WHAT IS SO RARE AS A DAY IN** June?" the poet asks. And by Canada's Pacific coast the reader wonders if the inquirer has known a sunlit December afternoon, when a chill brilliance seems to distill the air, to bring to it the sharp tang of sparkling cider. Over the Strait that has traded its friendly summer blue for the clear translucent of a cold green, the clear pale light of winter shimmers. It scatters a silver lace on the crests of ripples, brings a sheen to wet rocks.

The atmosphere becomes a thing of the senses, something to taste, to swallow in long draughts, something in which to find the headiness of light wine. By its flavoring the scent of the bordering fir trees seems to gain an enriched spiciness. The wet grasses, the moss and the ground breathe out a clarified perfume.

The air is a stimulant that quickens the blood, clears the eye and sets the human spirit dancing. This is more rare than a day in June—and more precious for its contrast to other grey days.

Watch It

Royal Bank of Canada Letter
NOT SO VERY long ago you were looked upon as somehow queer if you ran your personal or family money affairs on a budget. Nowadays, people know how pleasant it is to come out even at the week-end or year-end.

A family budget is a plan for making your income do the most possible to make you and your family happy. It is not a list of "Thou shalt nots," but a guide for better living, a device to get you things you want. It doesn't mean you have to stay home from the movies because the price of the ticket would upset your petty cash. In fact, good budgeting says it is all right to be wildly extravagant on occasion—so long as you know you are doing it and are getting value for your money and for the discomfort your budget tells you will follow.

IT IS IMPOSSIBLE for anyone to advise you in detail the budgeting path to take. What gives the greatest satisfaction to one person or family would not appeal at all to another. Needs are different. For example, you may be employed by a firm which has a pension plan and group insurance, while your neighbor may have to make his own budget plans for retirement, medical care and insurance.

Husband and wife are partners, and as the children become of age to understand money and money management they should be taken into the business. Be definite as to who is responsible for paying what, and be clear that individual responsibilities are part of a co-operative program.

SPENDING can be as virtuous as saving.

No matter how large or how small your income may be, you can make your life miserable by spending in stupidity or saving in ignorance. Some persons who have studied the matter deeply say that through wise buying a family can expand its income by 10 to 20 per cent, and an article in the New York Times in October, in the midst of alarms about rising costs, declared flatly that if armed with the proper facts consumers should be able to halt the rise in their personal cost of living indices, maybe even start a downtown.

You will be surprised to find how comfort and beauty can be bought for very little if you shop and spend wisely, choose carefully, and plan your home so that everything is in proportion to your income.

THE IMPORTANT departments in household spending are: shelter, food, clothing, household operation and savings. Within each one, you create your own spending plan. The following table gives typical budgets for (1) a couple with two children; (2) a business woman; (3) a bachelor:

(1) (2) (3)

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Food 40 35 40

Clothing 15 15 10

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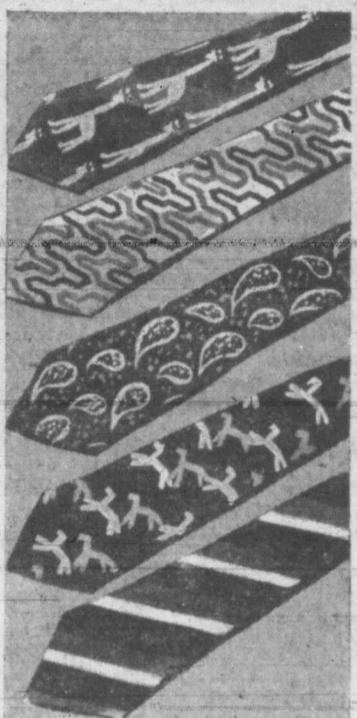
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Negotiations To Start At Once On Metropolitan Board

Immediately after the start of the new year the water board will have to start work on the determination of the exact water supply assets to be turned over to the Metropolitan Water Board, the price to be charged for them, and start negotiations, Ald. F. N. Cabeldu, chairman, indicated today, as citizens of Victoria gave their overwhelming support to the formation of the board.

Ald. Cabeldu said he hoped for as clear cut a mandate for the formation of the board from Saanich and Oak Bay, both of which are voting on the question Saturday.

One of the contentious points to be settled is whether or not the city will continue to operate the distribution mains in the extra-municipal areas of unorganized territory, or whether the metropolitan board will take distribution in these areas until they can form their own water districts, Ald. Cabeldu explained.

He said he would favor hiring extra financial experts to work with Comptroller D. A. Macdonald in determining what a fair valuation of the system would be. "It is all financial, depending on returns," Ald. Cabeldu explained.

Once this is done then the city committee will be in a position to start negotiations with Oak Bay and Saanich and to prepare the necessary by-law for submission to the ratepayers.

He said he hoped to be able to have legislation ready for the spring session of the Legislature which would permit setting up the metropolitan board, which gives the committee approximately three months in which to complete its negotiations.

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**British Parents Do
Christmas Shopping
Despite Austerity**

LONDON (Reuter)—Austerity harassed British housewives are snatching a few hours off these days from queuing for meat, fish, cakes or potatoes to do the family Christmas shopping—in more queues. But amid all the crowding and bustle there is a more widespread atmosphere of Christmas this year than since 1941.

Christmas trees laden with presents are dotted about the larger stores. Small shops and even the taverns are decorated with gaily-colored ornaments, strings of colored lights or multi-colored balloons—abundant this year for the first time since the war, but 10 cents each instead of the pre-war six for a dime.

The shops don't show as much austerity as one might have expected after the forbidding forecasts of various ministers as the crisis broke over Britain. Most of the articles now being sold were already in the shops or on their way to them when the crisis broke.

Toys are to be had everywhere in profusion—at a price. It is possible to find fairly easily even the big toys like child-size automobiles, jeeps and rocking horses. But the parent who wants to give his child such a treat must be prepared to spend anywhere between \$20 and \$40.

But there is also a wide variety of small toys—the ever popular small model cars, buses, trucks with rubber tires at prices around about 60 cents for small boys; plastic tea sets, fittings down to the last detail of the bathroom for the small girl's dollhouse.

For the grown-up, too, presents are not lacking. For women, there is a large range of gifts from expensive perfumes to comparatively inexpensive bath salts artistically wrapped to resemble a bunch of grapes, all sorts of ornated belts.

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Sadler Fund Total Amounts To \$10,027

The sum of \$10,027 was raised by the public of Greater Victoria to help Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Sadler re-establish themselves after the Nov. 19 fire which destroyed their possession and took the lives of their two babies. Pat Paine, chairman of the financial end of the campaign, today announced the amount raised.

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Lewis Divorces 600,000 Miners From A.F.L. Again

WASHINGTON (AP)—John L. Lewis has divorced his 600,000 miners from the American Federation of Labor again in a move viewed by some labor men as a sign that he intends to play an independent part in the 1948 presidential election.

The second split between the Mineworkers and the American Federation of Labor came 11 years after Lewis first marched them out of the parent body and less than two years after he marched them in again.

The 67-year-old Lewis had had his hat in his hand ever since the last A.F.L. convention, when the executive council refused to go along with him in an all-out fight against the non-Communist provision of the Taft-Hartley Act.

The formal break came Friday night with a typical Lewis gesture of contempt, a scribbled note to A.F.L. president William Green saying: "Green, A.F.L.—We disaffiliate. Lewis. 12-12-47."

NOT COMMITTED

Several other union officials said it was likely Lewis did not want to be committed to whatever political role may be played by the new A.F.L., "Labor's Educational and political league."

Lewis quit the A.F.L. council at the October convention when members voted to change the constitution so they would not be "officers" of the A.F.L. within the meaning of the Taft-Hartley Act.

Thus they got around the requirement that all officers of a union must sign the non-Communist pledge if its affiliates are to have any standing with the National Labor Relations Board.

Although strongly anti-Communist himself, Lewis was furious at this knuckling under to a law he wanted to fight all the way.

He bitterly assailed his colleagues on the council as "intellectually fat and stately asses."

NOT SURPRISED

GLACE BAY, N.S. (CP)—It was not surprising the United Mine Workers had withdrawn from the American Federation of Labor, because "the A.F.L.'s tacit support for the Taft-Hartley Act allowed no alternative to John L. Lewis, who had urged united and positive opposition to the anti-labor bill," Freeman Jenkins, president of District 26, U.M.W. (C.C.L.), said today.

MUCH DISCUSSION

PITTSBURGH (AP)—John L. Lewis' decision to take his 600,000 United Mine Workers from the American Federation of Labor was a big topic of discussion in western Pennsylvania coal fields today—and almost to a man the miners were backing their bushy-browed chief.

A few hours after Lewis had announced the break Friday night, the miners gathered in little groups in company stores and on street corners. There was little dissension. Typical of the pro-Lewis comment was this statement from Tom Brown, vice-president of U.M.W. Local 5085:

"John L. Lewis always has played smart and he's done it this time. He's the greatest labor leader in the world. We're back of him 100 per cent."

Honeymoon Bay Pioneer Is 81

HONEYMOON BAY—Henry March, the first settler at Honeymoon Bay, who cut the first trail through from Cowichan Lake to his homestead here, celebrated his 81st birthday recently.

Mr. March was born at Rochdale, Lancashire, England. He came to Canada in 1885 and to Vancouver Island in 1887.

Mr. March has a 600-acre farm at Honeymoon Bay and still does work on it, planting his own garden this year. His son, daughter-in-law and granddaughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles March and Susan reside at Honeymoon Bay.

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The Sadler Rehabilitation Com-

mittee with Reeve E. C. Warren, chairman, presiding, met last night.

Plans are near completion for the construction of a new home on the lakeside site. Lumber is on the spot now; volunteer labor is sufficient and weather permitting should get underway some day next week.

VICTORIA WEST—Brownies of the 3rd Victoria West Cathedral Pack gathered Thursday afternoon, each member of the pack bringing a Christmas gift, suitably wrapped. These gifts were packed and sent to the Queen Alexandra Solarium for Crippled Children at Mill Bay.

Japanese Oranges On Sale Monday

Japanese oranges will be on sale in Victoria either Monday or Tuesday of next week for the first time in six years, but whole-sellers say "We won't be able to give customers as many as they want."

Of the total shipment of 73,000 boxes distributed between Vancouver, Victoria and lower mainland points, Victoria's share is less than 10 per cent. The first of the Victoria shipment reached

here this morning. It was one-eighth of the local allocation.

Retail price a box will be between \$1.50 and \$1.60.

Members of Local 247 of the Musicians' Union Transcription Fund entertained residents of the Home for Aged and Infirm Men with a concert party Thursday night. The Home Towners, composed of Fred Usher, Bob McGill, Ernie Fullerton, Bill Botten and Geoff Venables, contributed to the program, as did Mrs. Stewart's old-time orchestra, composed of Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Benn, Mary Gibbons, Jack Hamer presented a specialty "rattling bones."

Chinchilla Breeders May Stage Show

A suggestion put forward at

this week's meeting of the Vancouver Island branch of the National Chinchilla Breeders' Association of Canada held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Creighton, 200 Island Highway, to stage a chinchilla show during the spring was well received by members and a committee was appointed to look into the matter.

Dr. C. Cranston spoke on many ills common to chinchillas

and dealt with methods of cure. J. Sims, president of the branch, was chairman of the meeting.

RYE, SUSSEX—The ancient custom of throwing hot coppers to the children was observed on the town's mayor-making day.

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Record Assets of \$360,524,670. Increase in Loans, Deposits, Gen.-Man. Robt. Rae Reports

All Citizens Urged to Aid in Measures to Balance Our Trade Payments

of a medium priced home was more than twice that of pre-war days. Production costs of mining in ten principal mines in Pennsylvania showed wage increases alone were 219.3 per cent more than in 1939. Oil production cost had also materially increased; and to replace a locomotive previously purchased for \$50,000 would now take almost four times that amount.

Illogical and Uneconomical

"The demand which has existed for many years, and is now enforced, for higher pay and less production is illogical, uneconomical, and adversely affects the welfare of all our people—and especially in progressive degree, as time goes on, of the workers themselves—and is largely the cause of our present inflation. The same tendency has of late become prevalent in the matter of executive salaries. Moderation and self-restraint are just as essential as in all other spheres."

Another cause of dollar depreciation was "the appalling and unnecessary loss due to strikes which adds multi-millions to your cost of living. It is difficult to comprehend why such losses should exist, as out of industry and production the employee draws his pay; the company its profits, the shareholder his dividends, the Government its taxes and the people their maintenance. Is it not crystal clear that the welfare of all depends upon co-operation?"

Labour A Powerful Influence

"It is encouraging to note that labour organizations are purging themselves of a radical, disturbing and destructive element. This accomplished, organized labour can be a powerful influence—and my thought is that it will be—in increasing production and reducing costs, thereby aiding in extending both domestic and foreign markets. Such co-operation would be collective development. The restoration of the value of your dollar depends almost entirely upon greater production and lower costs."

No Need to Socialize Our Banking System

Mr. Carlisle answered the reasons advanced by the Research Department of the C.C.F. for nationalizing the Chartered Banks, and continued:

"The Chartered Banks and their branches give an adequate service throughout Canada, even in sparsely settled localities. They give a foreign service wherever Canadians transact business. Rates are more stable than in most other countries. The Banks are free from political control. Our people have a greater protection and freedom of choice, as they have ten Banks from which to choose instead of one political, nationalized bank. What has socialization, untried as it is, to offer that one would choose to change from our present banking system?"

Referring to the sixty-one objectives enumerated by the C.C.F. Convention (Ontario Section) as its "First-Term Program," Mr. Carlisle said:

In his address to the Shareholders, the President, Mr. C. H. Carlisle pointed out that compared with the average value for the years 1935 to 1939, on general wholesale commodities and Canadian farm products "your dollar has depreciated in its purchasing value 45 per cent. This material loss, silently and unrelentingly incurred, is sustained by you and by all. Why has the purchasing value of your dollar decreased? Largely through the high cost of living, due principally to insufficient volume of production and higher costs of production."

Mr. Carlisle reviewed the facts of increased costs and lowered production in the building trade and in the coal, oil and transportation industries.

A report recently compiled by employers in sixty cities in the United States had shown that, as compared with 1940, building trades workers turn out 38 per cent less work per hour, on average, get 76 per cent more pay, and material costs were up 93 per cent and still rising. In Canada the selling price

by Socialism, Facism, Naziism or Communism. These different 'isms' differ in their operations, but they have one thing in common—regimentation.

"Free people cannot exist where regimentation exists. There are certain groups of citizens residing in free countries who, with no disloyal intention believe in a state socialism, which is a state dictatorship, achieved by political means—the educational program, to quite an extent, being carried on through churches, schools, institutions of higher education and labour unions. The socialization which they advocate, wherever tried, has failed. It is contrary to the concept of free government.

Threat of Power Lust

"Throughout history there have been men who have had an inordinate lust for power. War was their weapon. The results, their own ruin, the misery of their people and the devastation of their country. Men of lust have not passed. The world is troubled with them today. The world's equilibrium and safety is in great danger. Russia is the principal factor in an attempt at world domination. Her plan is now quite apparent. It seems a waste of time to attempt to harmonize the ideologies of Communistic Russia with those of a democracy and free people. Lenin, in his statement of policy states: 'It is inconceivable that the Soviet Republic should continue to exist for a long period side by side with imperialistic States. Ultimately one of the other must conquer.' And again, 'It is necessary to use any ruse, cunning, unlawful method, evasion, concealment of truth to serve Communistic ends.' These are the tactics used by Russia's boasted 12,000,000 Communistic organizers in different countries throughout the world. Russia's unwarranted use of the 'veto' prohibited the re-establishment and rehabilitation of the devastated countries. Her broken promises, her insulting and often untrue accusations of former allies, her increased military power, her looting of countries over which she had control and the building of military forces

in these countries, would not indicate that she is a friendly ally.

Our Military Weakness Again Makes War Possible

"We had full knowledge of Kaiser Wilhelm's ambitions for conquest. We knew the military preparations he had made. But, owing to our allies' and our own inaction and our military weakness, the first world war was made possible. Similar conditions caused the second world war—the ambition of conquest, the careful building of a strong military machine, the infiltration of well-trained spies and propagandists by which the countries under plan of attack were weakened and disorganized. Again, our military weakness made a second war possible.

"Are not our conditions today almost identical to those to which I have referred?"

World Shocked by Results of Communistic Intrigue

"We and the countries associated with us have not made adequate protection for ourselves in building a dominant military organization. If we were strong there would be no war arising out of the present conditions. Devastated countries would be reconstructed, their liberties restored and their people returned to normal conditions. The world is shocked at the results of Communistic propaganda and intrigue in Italy and France. It has brought these countries to the brink of Civil War, and is undermining their very existence."

"Communism or any other kind of 'ism' cannot give you the freedom and plenty you now enjoy. It is your privilege and duty as an individual to protect your freedom."

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ASSETS

Cash on Hand and in Banks, including Bank of Canada....	\$ 64,331,826
Deposit with Minister of Finance.....	40,394
Government and Other Securities.....	138,803,838
Call Loans.....	8,4

Gay Dance Ushers In Holidays At R.C.N.-R.C.A.F. College



Prior to the dance, 40 senior cadets and their attractive partners gathered in the private dining-room at the Chez Marcel for dinner. Pictured above, at a table for six, were, left to right, seated, Cadet Alan Rowland, Miss Mary Gill, Cadet Walter Tilden and Miss Diana McPherson; standing, Miss Liz Hinton of Vancouver and Cadet Craig Balson.



Today, many cadets are leaving for their homes on the prairies and in eastern Canada to spend the holiday season with their families. Last night they enjoyed dancing on the quarterdeck of the cadet block at H.M.C.S. Royal Roads. Pictured above, left to right, are Cadet Walter Smith, Stratford, Ont.; Miss June Harrison, Miss Ruth Gray and Cadet Frank Costin, Duncan, V.I.



Cadet Jack Watson and Miss Maureen Coniff.



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Hillside Pharmacy, G 163C
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News of the Island

Qualicum Beach Gets Growing Permanent Population

QUALICUM BEACH — Completion of several business blocks and additions to others has brought a number of new businesses to serve the fast growing permanent population of this former resort community.

Some of the newcomers are former prairie residents who have taken up farming or logging in the Qualicum district. A larger number are retired business men and their families from Victoria and Vancouver.

Businesses established in the townsite in recent months include a drug store, dry cleaning service, radio and electric shop, gift store, children's store, another hardware firm and a new dress shop. An antique shop mecca of hundreds of tourists each year, has been enlarged. Establishment of a branch of the Bank of Commerce has brought full-time banking service instead of the twice-weekly service formerly supplied the community.

Two coffee bars and restaurants have opened recently. Establishment of a quick-freeze locker service has made frozen foods available for the first time in the district.

Just completed is a road through the newest subdivision which is bounded by the Island Highway, village road and golf links. Property in the subdivision went on the market earlier this year and nearly all was sold within a fortnight.

A new club house for the Qualicum Beach Golf Club is expected to be finished early next year. The building will have an office and two rooms for the use of members.

Parksville Hears Kinsmen Head

PARKSVILLE — Plans for the Dominion-wide Kinsmen Food for Britain Fund were told Parksville Kinsmen by Tony Hamilton, national chairman, of Vancouver. Kinsmen from Courtenay, Nanaimo and the Alberni attended the meeting at the Masonic Hall, here.

Norman Lieblich, treasurer of the Parksville club, handed Mr. Hamilton a cheque for \$150, proceeds of two dances for the fund. Another dance in the series, arranged by Kinsmen, here, will be at the Errington Hall, Saturday.

Mr. Hamilton also received a cheque from Courtenay Kinsmen.

Cowichan Re-elects First Commissioner

Lake Cowichan — William F. Grosskleg, re-elected chief commissioner for the village of Lake Cowichan by acclamation Monday, was first elected commissioner in 1944 when the village was incorporated.

A native of Ontario, Mr. Grosskleg came to Lake Cowichan in 1914. He has been in the logging business since that time and is a partner in the firm of Grosskleg and Trueman Logging Co. Ltd. His term of office will be for three years. Two other commissioners, whose terms do not expire yet, are Verne Weaver and Ralph Godfrey.

S. M. Wedd Elected Executive Vice-President Canadian Bank of Commerce



—Photo by Karp.

Mr. S. M. Webb, who has been elected executive vice-president of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, is a banker of over 40 years' experience, having served in several branches of the bank in Ontario and Quebec, later occupying the position of chief inspector from 1928 to 1937, when he was appointed an assistant general manager. In 1942 he took over the post of general manager. In 1944 he was elected a director and in 1945 a vice-president. During the latter part of the war years, when the Canada Bank Act was revised, Mr. Webb was president of the Canadian Bankers' Association.

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Island Mills Offer Farmers \$14.50 Cord For Pulp Wood

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A list of mills includes Bloedel, Stewart and Welch Ltd., at nearby Port Alberni which offers to take hemlock, spruce, balsam, Douglas fir and cedar.

"The immediate problem," writes the association, "is the business of devising means to get continuous supply of farmers' wood to the pulp and paper mills."

Viggo Eriksen was appointed by the board to gather economic data in the Parksville district following a request from the Department of Trade and Industry for its industrial index.

Annual meeting of the Board of Trade will be Jan. 12.

Luxton Teens Now Valley Variety Club

LUXTON — Teenagers of Luxton and Happy Valley chose the name Valley Variety Club for their group at a meeting in Luxton Hall.

Lt.-Col. W. Parker presented

Miss Margaret Mills and Miss Anne Maude Betts with prizes for the most suitable name. Miss Lois Poirier was elected secretary on the resignation of Miss Shirley Williams. Initiation and presentation of membership cards will be held at the next meeting in Luxton Hall.

First F.M. Station
VANCOUVER (CP) — The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's frequency modulation station in Vancouver, VESFG, Friday night went on the air for the first time. It is the only F.M. station in western Canada.



A PERSON YOU'LL BE GLAD TO SEE

Henry Smith and his wife have been able to retire to a little cottage in the country. Tom Storey, a laboring man all his life, is putting his son through college. Mrs. Little and the youngsters have been able to keep up their home since John died.

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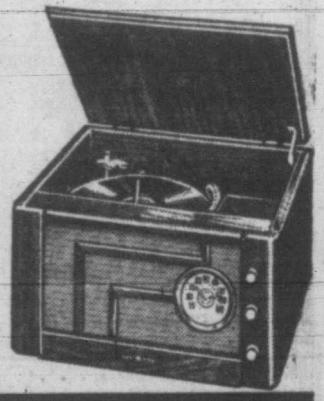
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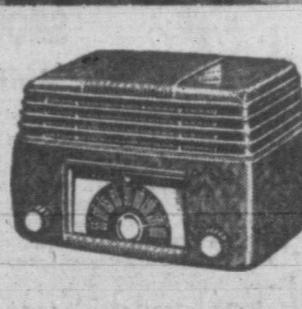
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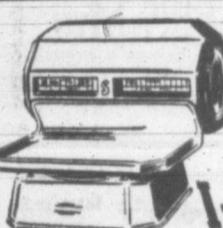
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Imported Canned Fruits Held By Price Controls

OTTAWA (CP)—The Prices Board, noting that canned peaches, pears and plums may be imported into Canada under quota after Jan. 1, said Friday night that these canned fruits will be subject to price control just as are domestic varieties at present.

The price control includes a basic price which the canners can charge and fixed mark-ups or margins of profit—for whole sellers and retailers.

DUNDEE—Jute imports have dropped from 164,000 tons in 1939 to 71,000 this year, said a representative on the Harbor Trustees.

Cancer Pain Reliever Goes On Sale Monday

OTTAWA (CP)—Metopon hydrochloride, a new drug for relief of cancer pain, will be available Monday in Canada, Health Minister Martin said Friday night.

He stressed it is not a cancer remedy, but controls pain and discomfort. It is taken in tablet form by the mouth and has a pain-relieving effectiveness twice as great as that of morphine.

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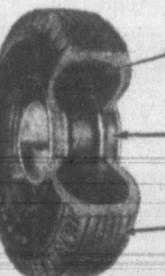
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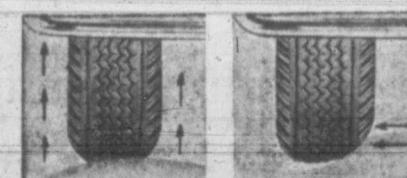
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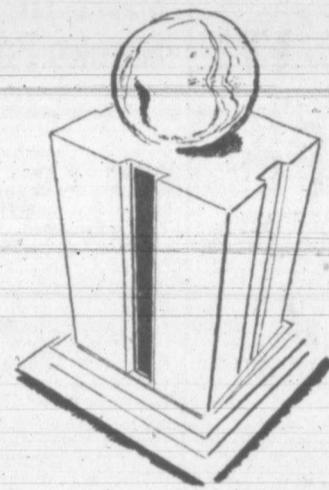
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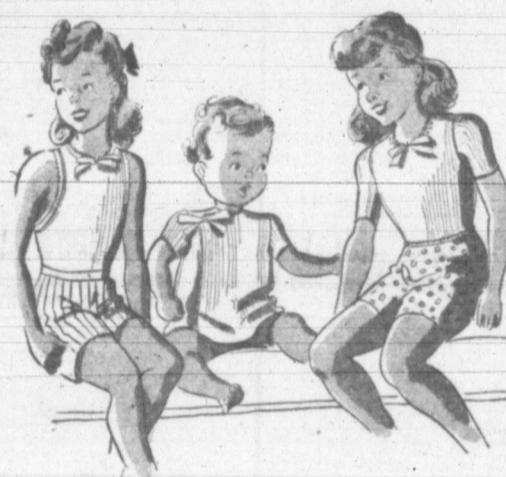
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Mainland Cagers Fly Here For Game Tonight



Fraser Cafe, Intermediate A girls' basketball team, who last season won the intermediate B championship of British Columbia, flew to the city today for tonight's cage battle at the High School gym against Wally Yeaman's Eaglettes at 8. K.V.'s will meet Y.M.C.A. in the senior A feature at 9 and Victoria College and First United intermediate B cage squads will meet in the preliminary at 7. The visiting mainland team on the tarmac, from left to right: Joe Pearson, manager; Helen Pearson, Joan Hirschfield, Merle Atkinson, Eileen Crane, assistant coach; Ruth Martinseh, Louis North and Harry McKnight, coach; on steps, top to bottom, front row, Edith Augustine, Adele Payer, Evelyn May, Svea Anderson; on steps, top to bottom, back row, Doreen Frey, Pat Swanson, Shirley Bushey, Lorraine Webber; T.C.A. personnel, left to right, D. Findlay, D. Willows and Capt. J. Buchanan.

Walcott Charges Louis Handing Him 'Brush-off'

NEW YORK (AP) — A new Louis-Jersey Joe Walcott battle was building up to an impasse today in the negotiations for a return bout between the heavyweight boxing champion and the challenger.

Injecting a new note in the controversy over the split decision Jersey Joe lost to Louis a week ago, this latest develop-

ment grew out of a war of words across New York's Eighth Avenue fight capital.

Shortly after Louis indicated at a press conference in the Twentieth Century Club that the light-heavyweight titleholder, Gus Lesnevich, might be an acceptable opponent for Joe's "last bout," Walcott charged that he was being given the "brush off."

Louis, apparently mindful of earlier warnings from the Walcott camp that Jersey Joe would be satisfied with nothing less than a 30-per-cent cut from a return match, raised the Lesnevich angle.

Deriding Walcott by claiming that Lesnevich was a "more dangerous" puncher, Louis intimated that Gus had at least as good a chance as Walcott of getting the title shot. The champion insisted, however, that it was the promoter's job and not his to make the matches.

Then Joe added: "I'd rather fight the one who draws the most money. I must get 40 per cent in June. I don't care what per cent the challenger gets, that's up to the promoter."

Lesnevich let it be known in no uncertain terms last summer that he wanted no part of a fight with Louis.

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John Geisser Star As Vic High Cagers Trounce Mount View

By PETE SALLAWAY

FAMILIAR with the problem Victoria rugby officials are facing this season in attracting any kind of a crowd to senior league matches, Pat Heinekey, a former player both here and in his native South Africa, writes in to offer some constructive criticism of the present-day play and suggest a possible remedy.

Although 30 years have elapsed since Heinekey performed on the rugby fields of this city he comes up with some interesting comment and his ideas could encourage better play and create more interest in the game.

He writes: "There appears to me to be very few players here who thoroughly understand the finer points of the game as related to the various positions on the field. They also have difficulty figuring out the play according to the conditions of the weather, field, etc., on the day of play. There is no doubt plenty of good material in Victoria if the boys were taught and coached in the fundamentals of the sport. It would appear the present idea is for each individual player to try to get hold of the ball and then attempt to either bull it along or kick it wildly, and too often into touch. Such is poor play and uninteresting and boring to the spectators.

PROPERLY PLAYED rugby is not dangerous, as many people believe, and is an interesting and exciting game from the standpoint of the fans. To my mind the present-day style of play could be eliminated by teaching the players that they should perform as a team unit and not as individuals. Furthermore, there should be more cross kicking, high punting and follow up play, serum-wheeling and closer footwork. Such play opens up the game and generally brings the three quarters into action.

The lack of knowledge regarding the position of men on the field when on defensive or offensive play is also very noticeable. AS A REMEDY I would suggest that the schools and colleges, which are the logical place to learn, encourage the students by having competent persons instruct along with any other athletes interested in rugby, by blackboard diagrams and lectures to be followed by field demonstrations. If such lectures were properly conducted I am certain that the brand of rugby football in Victoria would improve greatly within a very short time. I would also like to express myself as being opposed to the new substitution rule and also against the Northern Rugby League rules which call for teams of 12 aside."

Shooting will open at 10 in the morning each day, Ray Seal reported and the meets will also be open for the public to participate. Competitions will continue until dusk. Featuring the meet will be trap and skeet contests, but .22 rifle marksmen and archers will also be seen in action.

INTERHIGH RUGBY

Victoria High Greens took over second place in the inter-high junior rugby loop yesterday when they won by default from Esquimalt High. Final league game will bring together Vic High Reds and V.H.S. Greens Tuesday.

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Sports Washed Out

Sports fixtures carded for enclosed parks in the Victoria area today and tomorrow, have been canceled because of rain and wet grounds. W. H. Warren, parks administrator, announced today.

Major sports washed out today included the soccer games billed for Athletic Park and the test rugby match scheduled for Macdonald Park.

The junior and juvenile Canadian grid finals scheduled for Central Park tomorrow will be played but the soccer game between Oak Bay and Esquimalt has been canceled.

Three basketball games are also on deck at the High School gym tonight.

'Old Guard' Of New York Rangers Together Again



Although they have put on added poundage and their hair is streaked with grey, three of the hockey players grouped with Lester Patrick on the ice at Madison Square Garden during the recent celebration of "Lester Patrick Night" will be remembered by Victoria fans. From left to right: Bun Cook, Ching Johnson, Bill Cook, Patrick, Taffy Abel and Frank Boucher. The Cook brothers played at the old Willows Arena as members of the Saskatoon Sheiks the last season major hockey held forth in the Pacific northwest. Boucher, manager and coach of the Rangers, played in the same circuit as first-string centre for the Vancouver club. Johnson is the big defence star whom Lester attempted for many years to lure to the coast from Minnesota amateur competition. It was not until the Rangers went after him that Johnson would turn pro.

Sports Mirror

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Canada Packers although picking up only one point out of a possible four this week kept their lead at the top of the Commercial Fivepin League. Their 13 points is one better than the total shared by second place Ideal Barbers and Coca Cola. Fairfield Meat with nine points and Quality Meat with eight points are next in line.

The Mixed Tenpin League tightened up Thursday night and now only one point separates the first four teams with Rangers and Lucky Strikes tied for the lead with 10 points and Bowldrome and Spits in the runner-up spot with nine points.

Another close struggle is the order in the Mixed Fivepin League with Pippins, Quality Meat and Dynamiters tied for the lead with identical records of nine wins and three defeats. Bapcolites hold a one-game lead over Surfers in the Bapco Paint Co. League with the Regina squad topping Watson's Bakery loop by five games over the Charlottetown entry.

MANAGING director Conn Smythe is already letting slip remarks about the Leafs of 1949. He's not talking in details just keeping the pot boiling with his familiar talk of youth and strength. And if it doesn't bring any more than a "so what" from rival coaches, it at least keeps the Leafian troops on the hop. And that's the main idea.

Tonight the Leafs take on the New York Rangers, who have climbed into a fourth-place tie with Montreal Canadiens. That rise on the part of the New Yorkers was mainly because they've had the Indian sign on Canadiens all season, winning four out of five against Mont-

Honolulu Football Players In Court On Betting Charge

HONOLULU, (AP) — The star halfback of the Pacific Coast League professional football champion Hawaiian Warriors, 13 teammates and an ex-teammate will appear in district court today to answer a charge of betting on themselves in a game that brought them the title.

Halfback Melvin Abreau, Honolulu, the league's leading ground gainer who was named his team's most valuable player, and the others are charged with "betting on an athletic contest," conviction of which carries a maximum penalty of \$1,000 fine and a year in jail.

The 15 huskies appeared at police headquarters nervous and subdued Friday and made bonds ranging from \$50 to \$100 each.

Managing Captain Eugene Kennedy, who began an investigation Tuesday, signed the charges alleging they pooled \$6,700 of their own money to bet on last Sunday's title-deciding game with the Los Angeles Bulldogs.

Kennedy said they bet they would lead the Bulldogs by seven points at the half and would win the game by 14 points. They won the first part of the bet, he added, but the bulk of their money was lost when the final score was 7 to 6. Kennedy said there was no evidence of bribery.

A reliable source who declined to be quoted by name said the betting incident came to light because one of the bettors became angry and talked.

Soccer Lecture Draws Good Crowd

Popularity of soccer in the city was demonstrated last night when a large crowd of enthusiasts turned out at the Liberal headquarters to hear Bill Thorne, former Aston Villa star, lecture on the finer points of the game.

Thorne pointed out that team play and proper positional training are two of the most important factors in soccer. Temperature of players is also another point that is often overlooked, he said.

Final standings in the first half of the Commercial Tenpin League follow:

Team	W.	L.
Tillium A	12	12
Duffy's	24	15
Standard Oil	21	18
Pearlard Construction	21	18
Royal Aranum	21	18
Western Fish	18	21
Standard Oil	18	21
Dockyard	13	24
Provincials	8	11

Demaret Holds 2-Stroke Lead In Miami Open Golf

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — Jimmy Demaret, the crooning Texan

who is ending his best year of golf, led the field in the \$10,000 Miami Open golf tournament by two strokes at the halfway point today.

With the fastest competition in the 24-year history of the event narrowed to the top 66 pros and 10 amateurs, the smiling Demaret with 132 for 36 holes had his closest company in persistent Eud Furgol of Detroit at 138. They were Bob Hamilton, Evansville, Ind.; Jim Millward, Three Lakes, Wis.; Cary Middlecoff, Memphis, Tenn.; Claude Harmon, Palm Beach, Fla., and Skip Alexander, Lexington, N.C.

Twelve were grouped at 139 including national open champion Lew Worsham of Oakmont, Pa. Defending champion Sam Snead was back at 141.

Improving Rangers Hook Up With Leafs

TORONTO Maple Leafs start the week-end National Hockey League grind in the comforting knowledge that even if the worst comes to worst, they'll still be on top of the standings Monday. That's because Leafs had a five-point advantage over Boston and Detroit, tied for second.

You think that means the real and tying the other game. Leafs are rolling along methodically and hoping nothing happens. Not so. They take every game as it comes, and they're always figuring on the future.

But in Toronto the Rangers are just another team. The Leafs have beaten Rangers three out of four up to now.

The only other game tonight has Chicago Black Hawks at Detroit Red Wings. On Sunday all teams are in action, with Toronto at Boston, Canadiens at Chicago and Detroit at Rangers.

PHILADELPHIA — Jimmy Sulla, 126½, Philadelphia, out-pointed George Knox, 130, Newark, N.J., 8.

TOYS and GAMES
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Basketball Enjoys Uplift In Dominion

Since the Santa Claus who visits good little hockey and football players still shuns the gymnasiums, it must be the lure of the Olympics that helped bring out the basketballers in force for what shapes up as the biggest Canadian hoop season in years.

Officials in most centres report player interest at near record peaks. They were sorry they couldn't say the same for the spectators, however, so the game remains as amateur as it was in 1891 when Dr. James Naismith, a native of Smiths Falls, Ont., originated it from soccer by elevating a couple of peach baskets.

The Canadian Basketball Association, charged with naming the team for the summer games in London, hasn't completed selection plans. But Laury Irwin, association president, said in Toronto that tentative plans call for trials in Toronto next May and the Dominion's representative will probably be a combination of the two teams making the best showing, rather than an all-star team.

FINISHED SECOND

On the basis of the last Olympics, Canada can look forward to whatever team is chosen making a strong bid for points. In the 1936 games at Berlin, the Canadian team finished second among the 22 countries, winning five starts before losing, 19 to 8, to the United States.

Although both expected to make a bid for the Olympic spot, last year's two Dominion finalists aren't engaging in league play this season. The Canadian champion Vancouver Meralmoras, now known as the Clover Leafs, made arrangements for an exhibition tour of the Philippines and Cuba while Windsor Assumption, eastern champions, also will play exhibition games only, mainly against U.S. teams.

Windsor has organized another quintette to take Assumption's place in C.A.B.A. playoffs, however, while British Columbia, winner of 15 Dominion titles in 25 years of east-west competition,

India Puts On 188 In Test Cricket

SYDNEY, Australia (Reuter) — Australia had 38 minutes batting after dismissing India for 188 on the second day of the second cricket test match here today, and they scored 28 runs for loss of W. A. Brown's wicket in that time.

On a drying wicket, India struggled for runs and were saved from being dismissed cheaply by D. G. Phadkar, one of their leading bowlers, who scored 51, and G. Kishenachand, who put on 70 runs at a rate of more than a run a minute for the seventh wicket.

With the week-end weather forecast uncertain, and rain promised for early next week, Australia may still have difficulty in reaching the Indian total.

Williams Hands Heavier Pellone Terrific Beating

NEW YORK (AP) — Tough Tony Pellone figures he is a lucky man.

The 10-round beating the Greenwich Villager received from the mitts of lightweight champion Ike Williams last night saved him from the unpleasant prospect of meeting Sugar Ray Robinson, who had earlier indicated he would take Tony on in a welterweight title bout.

Pellone was no match for Trenton Ike. Of the 30 rounds scored by the three officials, Williams got 28, Referee Frank Fulham and Judge Joe Angello voted it 100 for Williams, while Judge Harold Barnes gave two rounds to Pellone and the rest to Ike. The Associated Press score card showed eight for Williams, one for Pellone and one even.

WAS SLOWED DOWN

Williams, operating at 139 3-4 pounds to Pellone's 145 1-4 for this non-title scrap, said the extra weight he had put on "slowed me down at the start."

Williams is scheduled to defend his crown at the Garden Jan. 16 against Philadelphia Bob Montgomery, whom he knocked out last summer for an undisputed claim to the title.

Pellone was a sad sight toward the end of the one-sided fight, bleeding from eye, nose and mouth and sustained only by his fighting heart. Williams, who entered the ring a 5 to 11 favorite, tried to measure his heavier opponent repeatedly in the ninth and 10th rounds, but couldn't put him down.

Capt. Angus Walters Seeks \$15,000 In Suit For Libel

HALIFAX (CP) — Capt. Angus Walters, salty veteran of the international fisherman's races, declared in Supreme Court yesterday that he would never "sink

so low as to curse the Lord for

something that He had nothing to do with" as his application for assessment of damages in a \$15,000 libel suit against Hearst Publications Inc., was heard.

The skipper of the lost

schooner Bluenose claimed that

an article in Hearst's Cosmopolitan of October, 1946, said he

was held up to scorn in his home town of Lunenburg, N.S., because he cursed God when a woman took the wheel of the famous racing craft during a visit to China in 1938.

Contrary to the article, he said he had scorned the ancient sea

superstition that a woman should

never be allowed to take the

wheel of a ship. On his barn-

storming trip through the Great

Lakes 14 years ago the passen-

gers "got a kick out of being

able to say they had steered the

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Chief Justice Sir Joseph Chisholm announced that he would

make a decision later.

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Blocked Out



Detroit Red Wing Ted Lindsay, right, blocks out Alex Kalata as Chicago Black Hawk Doug Jackson reaches for the puck on the Chicago Stadium ice. Hawks were belted by the Detroit club 9 to 3.

One Goal Tonight Will Give Canucks Ice Mark

VANCOUVER (CP) — Vancouver Canucks today hold half of the American Amateur Hockey Association longest consecutive non-shut-out record and tonight, tangling with San Francisco Shamrocks in the Golden Gate city, they will be out for the city's sole ownership.

The Canucks tied the 165-game, five and a half-year-old record in Berkeley, Calif., last night but went down 9 to 2 before Oakland Oaks in a Pacific Coast Hockey League engagement.

The other part-owners, Baltimore Orioles, set the record between Nov. 15, 1939, and Jan. 17, 1942, in the Eastern Amateur Hockey League.

Certainly one of the longest if not the longest non-shut-out record in Canadian hockey history, the skein started when the Canucks were formed by Coley Hall in 1946.

Paul Thompson, ex-Chicago Black Hawk coach held the reins for the first two years of the team's existence. In the first year his team reached first place and captured the league's northern division championship after a bitter five-game final with Portland Eagles.

Complete list of games for the week follow:

MONDAY Junior basketball—Oak Bay vs. Equi-

mais at Oak Bay; Mount View vs. V.H. Golds at Mount View.

TUESDAY Junior rugby—V.H. Reds vs. V.H. Green at Victoria High.

THURSDAY Junior basketball—V.H. Blacks vs. V.H. Students' Council at Victoria High.

FRIDAY Senior basketball—House One vs. House Four at Victoria High.

SUNDAY Senior basketball—V.H. Blacks vs. V.H. Students at Mount View.

TUESDAY Senior basketball—V.H. Teachers vs. V.H. Students' Council at Victoria High.

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BOOKS

SECRETARY TELLS . . .

"The Real Lloyd George" by A. J. Sylvester (Cassell).

THE late Earl Lloyd George, sometimes "genius," sometimes "spoiled child," who refused to serve in Winston Churchill's wartime cabinet because "he would not enter the cabinet in a subordinate position," is the subject of a study by A. J. Sylvester, for 30 years his private secretary.

In "The Real Lloyd George" Sylvester paints an affectionate but realistic picture of the man he served from 1915 onwards. He describes the peace conferences of the early '20s, Lloyd George's tour of Canada and the United States in 1923, his views on the abdication of King Edward VIII—he was against it—and the reasons for his refusing to take cabinet office in the Second World War.

The book teems with anecdotes, some trivial, but nearly all revealing. Sometimes Lloyd George is seen as the statesman who dominated his postwar contemporaries, again as the irritable and irritating master who would fly into rages when he had to fumble with a door handle or try to dress himself.

Canadians experienced his abrupt way of dealing with matters in 1923 when, after arriving at Montreal, he personally blue-pencilled most of the program that had been drawn up for him.

In 1936 Lloyd George visited Germany and had several talks with Hitler, who made such a deeply favorable impression

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Book Notes

Two winners of the Ryerson Fiction Award are just off the press this month. They are "Judgment Glen" by Will R. Bird; and "Music at the Close" by Edward A. McCort. The first is a story of Yorkshire settlers in Nova Scotia; and the second is the story of a boy who went west to live with his uncle at the beginning of the 20th century.

The Book Find Club has chosen "Critics and Crusaders" by Charles A. Madison as its February choice. The book is published by Henry Holt & Co. and has taken six years' research and writing to produce.

Insurance Canceled On Nelson Schools

NELSON (CP)—Fire insurance policies on all schools in Nelson District No. 7 have been canceled by the underwriters, N. S. McLeod, school board secretary, said Friday.

He said it had been known the move was under consideration by the companies for some time, but the \$5,000 fire which destroyed a school at nearby Taghum had been given as the immediate reason.

At a trustees' meeting in Harrison Hot Springs last May, trustees had been told that school fire insurance risks would not be carried by the underwriters unless armed guards watched the buildings when they were not occupied.

Nelson and Taghum are in the heart of the Doukhobor area.

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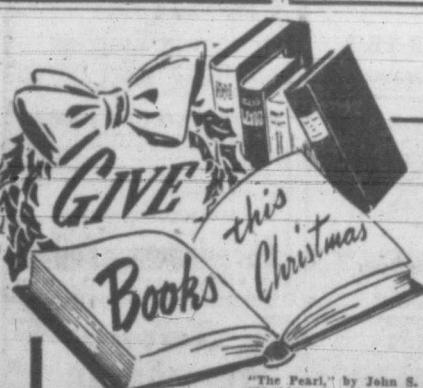
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Loyalty Under Persecution

Scripture: Revelation 2:8-11; 7:9-17

By WILLIAM E. GILROY, D.D.
The Book of Revelation came out of a period of crisis in the early days of Christianity, when the faith of the disciples was being put to the most acute test in the fires of terrible persecution. It was written to encourage Christians to be firm, and to give them a sense of God's presence and their ultimate deliverance and blessedness, if they endured to the end.

The time, according to Biblical scholars, was in the reign of the Roman emperor Domitian, about 90 A.D., when the totalitarian and tyrannical power of the state, which we have seen so ruthless in its persecutions in our own time, was dominant. In that rule of power, gone insane, the worship of the Emperor was made a test of loyalty to the state. It was not enough that the Christian citizen should be loyal to the empire. He was called on to show that loyalty was an act of idolatry worse than that of bowing down to wood and stone—the sacrifice of settling up man, and a very bad man at that, in the place of God.

In some respects it was no sterner a test than many have had to face in our own time. The penalty of disobedience, in refusing such dishonest and blasphemous worship, was hardly more severe than that thousands in this century have suffered, as the mass executions, gas chambers and ovens of destruction bear witness.

If the Book of Revelation, with its symbolism and its strange and colorful images, is in many parts hard to understand, and doubtful of interpretation, it is because of the dangers that beset both its author and its readers in those days of persecution. It was written in a sort of secret code, though its symbols and figures would be understood by those for whom it was written.

Dogmatic interpreters, who are sure that they have the right key and understand all its mysteries, will condemn me for suggesting that much in the Book is difficult and of doubtful interpretation. But the very fact that the interpretations differ so much is the surest effort of what I am suggesting.

But, if much is difficult to understand, much also is sub-

ANGLICAN

S.T. JOHN'S, BAPTIST—HOLY COMMUNION, 8 a.m.; Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; Evensong, 7 p.m.; St. Matthew's, Langford—Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; Holy Communion, 11 a.m.; Vicar, the Rev. M. J. Jones.

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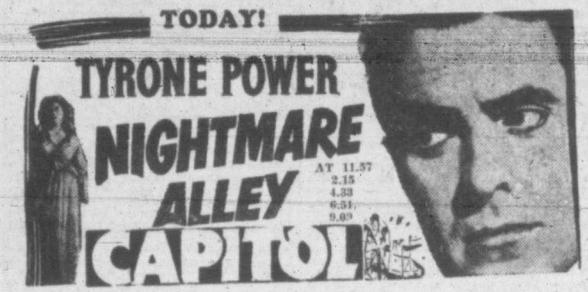
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ROYAL THEATRE
Snow scenes in "Repeat Performance," Eagle-Lion's romantic drama currently at the Royal Theatre, put to use a newly-designed artificial snow created by Alex Weldon, head of the studio's mechanical special effects departments.

Weldon rigged up a machine, making use of a chemical solution which converts vapor into snowlike flakes, which were driven on to the set by a wind apparatus diverted into a centrifugal pump.

The artificial snow is used in the opening sequences of the film which stars Louis Hayward, Joan Leslie and Richard Basehart.

CAPITOL THEATRE

Long hailed as excelling in realistic, adult entertainment fare, 20th Century-Fox has been presenting sharply defined, forthright motion pictures of compelling dramatic interest. Their newest, "Nightmare Alley," which is now being shown at the Capitol Theatre, stars Tyrone Power with Joan Blondell, Coleen Gray and Helen Walker. And it rocks the screen with its unusual and provocative theme!

Based on William Lindsay Gresham's sensational novel, the film presents Tyrone Power in a completely different role, one that forcefully demonstrates his remarkable versatility.

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Many of the junior cadets gathered for dinner at the Empress Hotel or were entertained at private parties in the homes of their pretty dance partners prior to the Christmas dance at H.M.C.S. Royal Roads last night. A group at the Empress Hotel, pictured above, are: Top step, left to right, Cadet Hugh Farrant, Miss Edith McGill and Cadet Andrew Clarke; bottom steps, left to right, Cadet E. Ryall, Miss Dianne Finland, Cadet Howard Witt, Miss Daphne Finland and Miss Leona Pedneault.

ATLAS THEATRE

From Broadway to Hollywood, and in every tank town in between ... in night club dressing rooms and in the drafty wings of small-town "opera house" stages — wherever that strange and wonderful breed of people known as "show folk" are gallantly carrying on in the colorful tradition of vaudeville—the happy word is going around that at long last, the first true story of show people has been brought to the screen.

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RIO THEATRE

Darryl F. Zanuck's stirring production of "The Purple Heart," the thrilling story of how eight dauntless Yank fliers tied the entire Jap empire into knots, is now at the Rio Theatre.

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PLAZA THEATRE

For the making of "Green for Danger," which is now showing at the Plaza Theatre, two members of the cast had their baptism of ether in the cause of realism.

They were Trevor Howard and Leo Genn, who appear as the anaesthetist and the surgeon, respectively. To get the feel of an operating theatre they both visited a hospital and witnessed operations.

YORK THEATRE

Paul Muni, who plays the starring role of Eddie Kagle in the current Charles R. Rogers' production, "Angel On My Shoulder," which is now at the York Theatre through United Artists release, started out in life with the tongue-twisting name of Muni Weisenfreund. He wasn't on the stage very long, however, before he realized that the name was much too long for marquee use and decided to change it. He kept the Muni, making it his surname, and prefixed it with Paul, the American derivation of his father's given name.

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Announcements

BIRTHS

CHWOTZKE—To Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Chwotzke, at Jubilee Hospital, Dec. 8, a son, Douglas Edward.

MARRIAGES

SWAN-WILLIAMS—Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Williams, 3001 Quadra Street, announced their marriage at the church of St. Louis, Irene, to William Lawrence Swan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Swan, of Ancaster, Alberta. The ceremony took place at 2 p.m. on Dec. 12, 1947, at 6:30 o'clock at the home of the bride. Rev. T. G. Griffith officiating.

COMER—The marriage of Agnes Marie Fisher, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Comer, of Victoria, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Comer, 1464 Taunton Street, took place at 2 p.m. on Belmont Avenue, Dec. 11, 1947. Rev. McMillan very officiating.

DEATHS

BALDWIN—After a long illness there passed away at King's Daughter's Hospital, Duncan, on Saturday, Dec. 13, Mrs. Mary Baldwin, wife of Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin who was born in Somerset, England, and had resided at Cobble Hill, Victoria, for many years. She is survived by her widow at home two daughters, Mrs. E. P. Law, Esquimalt, and Mrs. G. Hawthorne at Duncan; three brothers, a sister, brother and nephew in England. Announcement of funeral to be made later.

GRIGG—Passed away at 1044 Redfern Road, Dec. 11, 1947, at his residence, born in Smithwick, England. Survived by two sons, Heber of Victoria, and Harold of Mortehorpe, Alberta; two daughters, a son, seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The services were forwarded to Courtland this morning by the Sands Mortuary Ltd. Funeral services will be held in the Royal Oak Burial Park on Monday, Dec. 14, at 2 p.m. Interment will be in the Sandwick Cemetery at Courtenay.

HALL—On Dec. 13, there passed away in this city, Mrs. Mary Hall, at the age of 82 years; born at Newfoundland and died at Victoria. Her husband, the late Mr. Hall leaves to mourn her loss, his daughter, Mrs. F. Y. (Mary) Hall, 424 Kinsing Street, this city; one brother in Newfoundland, six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Remains are resting at the Curry Funeral Home pending further arrangements.

HEDIN—There passed away at the residence on Dec. 10, 1947, Gustave E. Hedin, 76, born Feb. 14, 1871, at Stockholm, Sweden, and had resided in Victoria for the past four years. The late Mr. Hedin is survived by his wife, Helga, a son, a son of Stanton, Iowa, and one sister, Mrs. Augusta Lindquist of Stanton, Iowa, and one nephew, Clarence C. Hult of Tumwater. His widow, Mrs. Victoria, also other nephews and nieces in Iowa, Nebraska and California, and his brother, Herman Swift. Current services for many years. Funeral services will be held in McCall Brothers' Floral Funeral Chapel on Monday afternoon at 2 p.m. Interment will be in Royal Oak Burial Park.

HOLE—On Dec. 11, 1947, at Port Alberni, B.C., Thomas Owen Holt, aged 81, born in Lushborough, England, and had been residing in Port Alberni for the past 15 years. Survived by two sons, Arthur and William, a daughter, Ernestine, and two granddaughters, Mrs. W. N. Nevel of Kamloops, B.C., and Mrs. G. A. Arden of Vancouver, Sidney in Nanaimo, Phillip and Frederick in Victoria; also three sisters, all deceased. Funeral services will be held at the Royal Oak Burial Park.

KENT—Passed away at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Ed Williams, on Dec. 11, 1947, at 1044 Redfern Road, 83rd year. Born in Cambridge, England, and a resident of this city for the past 40 years. Survived by two sons, Arthur and William, a daughter, Ernestine, and two granddaughters, Mrs. W. N. Nevel of Kamloops, B.C., and Mrs. G. A. Arden of Vancouver, Sidney in Nanaimo, Phillip and Frederick in Victoria; also three sisters, all deceased. Funeral services will be held at the Royal Oak Burial Park.

LAWRENCE—There passed away at the residence of her son, 313 Edward Street, Dec. 11, 1947, Mrs. Eliza Beth Meadow, widow of the late Ernest William Meadows. She was born in Belfast, Ireland, and had resided in Victoria.

The late Mrs. Meadows leaves to mourn her loss one son, William, with whom she had resided in Victoria, and one grandson, also a son of William, and two granddaughters in England. The late Mrs. Kent was a valued member of the Anglican United Church.

Funeral services will be held in the chapel of the Sands Mortuary Ltd. Monday, Dec. 15, at 3 o'clock. Rev. A. L. Whittlestone and Mr. G. W. J. Soper will officiate. Interment will be in Royal Oak Burial Park.

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PATRICK—On Dec. 13, at the family residence, 1308 Quadra Street, Mrs. Ernest Patrick, at the age of 77 years; born at Ardclon, Ont., and formerly from Port Hope, Ontario. Late Mrs. Patrick leaves to mourn her loving wife, residing at 133 Cambridge Street, two blocks from her home.

Funeral services will be held Monday, Dec. 15, at 2:30 p.m. from the Curry Funeral Home. Archdeacon A. E. Nunna officiating. Cremation at Royal Oak Crematorium.

ROERS—Passed away at the St. Joseph's Hospital on Dec. 12, 1947. Mrs. Maria P. Roers, 80, and 67 years; born in Aberdeen, Scotland, and resided in this city for the past 37 years, late residence 259 Bridge Street. Survived by her son, John, 100 Bridge Street; two sisters in Scotland; two brothers in Australia; one brother in Canada; and two nieces in England. Funeral services will be held in the chapel of the Sands Mortuary Ltd. Monday, Dec. 15, at 1:30 p.m. Rev. G. D. Ashford will officiate. Interment will be in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

ROBERTSON—On Dec. 13, at the family residence, 1308 Quadra Street, Mrs. Ernest Robertson, 80, and 67 years; born at Ardclon, Ont., and formerly from Port Hope, Ontario. Late Mrs. Robertson leaves to mourn her beloved mother, Mrs. Mary Dalton, of St. Joseph's Hospital and the Royal Jubilee Hospital.

The family of the late Harry Landale wish to thank their many friends for their kind words of sympathy shown them during their recent sad loss of a loving wife.

The family of the late Mrs. Corinna Wolden wish to thank their many friends for their kind words of sympathy shown them during their recent sad loss of a loving mother. They also thank the Knights of Columbus and members of the Prairie Club for their many acts of kindness, also the nurses of the Royal Jubilee Hospital.

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House Votes Down Amendment On Price, Rental Control Power

OTTAWA (CP)—The government, seeking extension of its rent and price control powers until March 31, was placed in the position in the Commons Friday of having to vote against an opposition motion that would have prolonged the extension to Dec. 31, 1948.

The C.C.F., backing up its request for re-imposition of price controls, introduced an amendment to a resolution that would extend the government's powers under the Transitional Powers Act to March 31.

Justice Minister Isley, speaking before the House defeated the amendment 129 to 24, said he felt he would have to oppose it. While the government had no intention of allowing all controls to lapse March 31, it was not yet in a position to decide what controls should be extended beyond that date.

M. J. Coldwell, C.C.F. leader, said the amendment had been moved because Finance Minister Abbott had given an emphatic "no" to a consumers' delegation Monday.

Hollywood Moves To Avert Increased Outside Censorship

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—The motion picture industry is mightily worried about the possibility of more outside censorship and is taking steps to prevent it.

In the last couple of weeks Hollywood has been making rapid moves toward what might be considered putting its own house in order. Evidence: The banning of gangster movies; the firing of "unfriendly witnesses" cited by the Un-American Activities Committee. The rest of the job is up to the industry's unique self-regulating body, the production code administration.

The P.C.A.'s trained staff checks the synopsis, scripts and finished product of all films produced by its members. The reviewers have to be kept to all kinds of slang, foreign and domestic, and even exchange the latest dirty jokes, purely for business reasons.

PLenty of REGULATIONS

Their censoring is guided by five volumes of regulations, ranging from abdomen to zipper. Note: zippers may be permitted in some comedy situations, but are generally taboo in bedrooms and parlors.

The staff must also be aware of moral values. A murderer cannot be accidentally killed by a train; he has to suffer for his crime.

It goes even further: A criminal cannot say something moral in a picture, nor can an honest character condone crime. The bad have to stay bad and the good good.

The P.C.A. okayed "Forever Amber" because the film adhered to the code. However, church condemnation of any picture always reflects on the whole industry and in the future the P.C.A. will probably discourage film purchase of "sensational" novels, no matter how well laundered they are for the screen, they always bring criticism.

Legionnaires Enjoy Branch Yule Smoker

Six hundred veterans spent a merry evening at the Britannia Branch of the Canadian Legion Friday evening when the branch put on its annual Christmas smoker.

A full and entertaining program kept the members occupied for the evening. Among the entertainers were the Homemakers, with Bob McGill, Fred Usher, Ernie Fullerton, Bill Botten and Jeff Vénales; "Suzanne," who sang sweet songs; Dave Dyke and his guitar, and Stan James with an amusing line of patter.

Other performers during the evening were Johnny Lester, Dick Potts, Tiny Bull, Art Stringer, Charlie MacFarlane, Bill Emerton and Jack Bird.

A "Klondike Night," sponsored by the women's auxiliary of the branch, will be staged in the branch auditorium at 8 this evening. Dancing and games will be featured.

Ship Uses Radar In Los Angeles Dust

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Dust was so thick in Los Angeles harbor Friday the liner Matsonia had to use radar to find her dock.

The bureau called it a Santa Ana dust storm. In some areas it hit at 60 miles an hour and whistled down from the mountain passes to settle over the harbor like pea soup.

Moving House, Big Event Friday



It isn't every day in the week residents of Quadra or Vancouver Streets see two men on top of a moving house, and many householders were out on their porches Friday morning as a house was moved from 1816 Quadra Street to 2555 Vancouver Street. The house, occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Weatherall, is owned by the Veterans' Auto Sales. John Kerr and A. Whiteman are on top of the roof while Bill Smith and Art Tribe were with the truck. Police Constable Don Buie followed behind on his motorcycle.

Ship Captain Dies

SEATTLE (AP)—Capt. Malcolm N. McLaren, master of the American-Pacific Steamship Company's Ss. Samuel Colt, died Thursday in Mazatlan, Mexico, members of his family said today. The Samuel Colt was en route from Vancouver, B.C., to London with general cargo. Capt. McLaren had made his home in Seattle since 1940. He is survived by his wife and son, Donald, 11.

Housewives Claim Price Delegation Made Some Headway

OTTAWA (CP)—Finance Minister Abbott may have given them the "cold shoulder" on reimposition of price controls, but the housewives who descended on the capital Friday aren't the least bit discouraged. In fact, they said today, a few more such delegations and the government may begin to see the cost-of-living light—their way.

"What we did achieve certainly is in the right direction," said Mrs. Mary Campbell of Sudbury, Ont., member of the delegation made up of more than 60 men and women from Ontario and Quebec. Representing trade unions, welfare organizations, and housewives' groups, the delegates claimed that in Quebec alone they spoke for 300,000 persons.

Before the delegates departed for their homes, Mrs. Campbell said she planned on calling a mass meeting of consumers in Sudbury "and a delegation will come back bigger and stronger."

Stewart Smith of Toronto accused Mr. Abbott of "belying the issue" during the half-hour interview the minister gave the delegates when they presented their six-point brief. Among other things it urged the government to adopt price control measures in order to prevent a further increase in the cost of living.

EXCESS PROFITS TAX

It also urged upon the government reimposition of the excess profits tax, and complained of the "excessive" sales tax which "wrought hardship" on the low-income group.

Mr. Abbott said that matters of sales tax and excess profits tax were budgetary matters and he could not discuss them at the present time. But he added: "Say they will be considered when I come to make up my budget next spring."

On a question from a Canadian Legion representative, Mr. Abbott also said that increased allowance pensions to veterans were under consideration by the government, but he wasn't able to say what action would be taken.

Japanese Hearings To Resume Jan. 12

KAMLOOPS (CP)—Appeals to the Japanese property claims commission by Japanese-Canadians will be resumed Jan. 12, when further applications will be heard at Lillooet by Mr. Justice Henry I. Bird.

Eighteen claims, totaling nearly \$68,000, were put before the commission during its first five days of sittings. The claimants charged the custodian of enemy property sold their belongings at a loss when they were forced to leave certain areas of British Columbia during the Second World War.

"First hearing of its kind in the Dominion's 80 years, it bids fair as well to become the longest. A total of 3,000 claims is expected, 1,000 alone estimated for Toronto, where Ontario's Japanese-Canadians will appeal."

Junior Players To Stage Indian Play

Among the many and varied entertainments offered to Victorians in connection with Christmas is an Indian play—"The Okanagan Nativity"—which will be performed by the Victoria Junior Players for the first time in this city at Spencer's auditorium next Saturday.

The play directed by Miss Pearl Alarie, assisted by Miss Barbara Fraser, will be performed at 2:30 and again at 3:30 in the afternoon. As an additional feature, a Christmas carol written in 1643 by Father St. Jean de Brebeuf will be sung by a junior chorus glee club.

The author of the play is Anthony Walsh, who is well known in Victoria. In this simple dramatization, he brings to children and adults alike the story of Christmas tidings.

The players are mostly between the ages of 10 and 12 years of age. Mr. Walsh's play is to be broadcast and produced in Edmonton and in the United States this Christmas.

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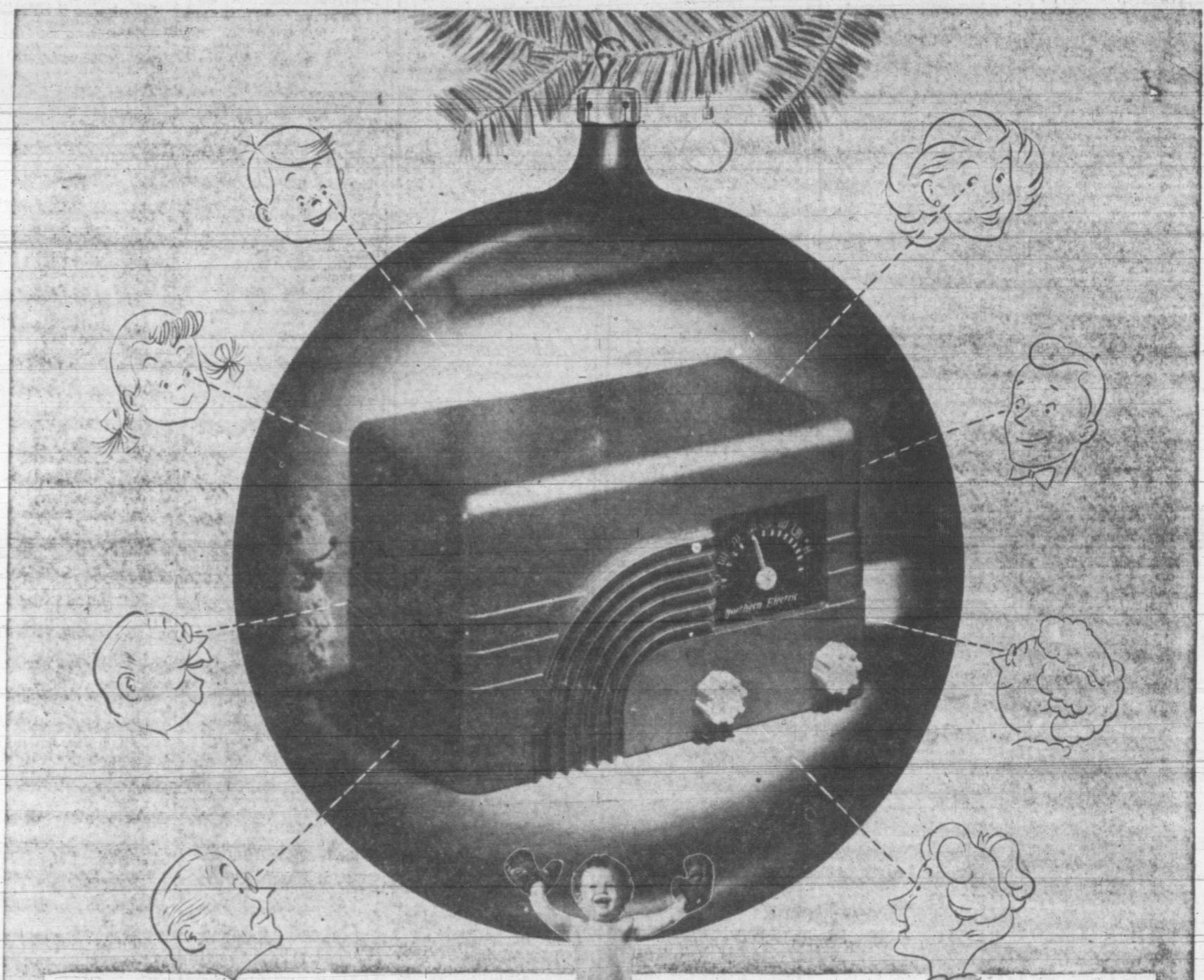
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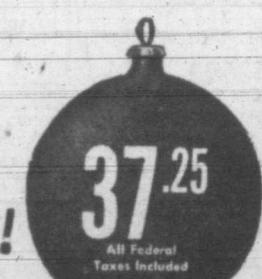
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CHICAGO (AP)—Three gunmen, described by police as "mad dog killers," went on a shooting rampage Friday night and early today, shot and killed three men and wounded two others. One of the gunmen was slain by police and a second was seized.

Bodies of two of the victims of the gang's shooting spree were found in western suburbs early today, about 10 hours after the trio had slain one man in a south side garage and abducted four men.

Two others who had been taken on the "gang ride" had been shot and wounded and also dumped into a highway in suburban Brookfield. However, one man, not seriously wounded, telephoned police.

The four had been kidnapped at the south side garage of Nick Kuesis, 40, after the gunmen had fatally shot Nick's brother, John, 33.

The slayer of Kuesis was identified by police as Tom Daley, 32, an ex-convict. He was slain by a squad of detectives early today as he attempted to flee from a west side apartment. His death followed the seizure of one of his companions.

The companion, seized as he entered a west side hotel where he was spending his honeymoon with his 17-year-old bride of 10 days, was identified as Lowell Fentress, 19.

Fentress, in calmly relating details of the shooting, described Daley as being "wild, crazy drunk" at the time.

He told police that after shooting John Kuesis and abducting four men in the garage, they drove to Brookfield, where they shot John Kuesis' brother, Nick, and Frank Baker, 17, and pushed them from the car.

Later, detective Andrew Barry said the gunman told him, they shot and killed Emil Schmikal,

Labor Likely To Elect Next Year, Says L.P.P.

The Labor-Progressive Party of Victoria today claimed that "with the Liberal-Tory non-partisan front cracked in a number of municipalities, notably Vancouver, it is likely that labor can elect in Victoria in 1948."

The party reported that the lesson of the Thursday civic elections here had been that labor needs to run its own candidates, "who have in past elections polled much heavier votes than Mr. R. F. Williams . . ."

"We note that this candidate failed to capture the labor vote for the non-partisans, and that the business vote also did not really behind him," the party said in a statement.

"Analysis of the results showed all non-partisan candidates for council received minority votes."

James Stewart, C.B.E.
Appointed General Manager
Canadian Bank of Commerce

JAMES STEWART

Mr. A. E. Arscott, O.B.E., president of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, announced today the appointment of Mr. James Stewart as general manager of the bank. Mr. Stewart succeeds Mr. Stanley M. Wedd, who assumes the position of executive vice-president after five years as general manager.

Mr. Stewart has been one of the leading executives of the Canadian Bank of Commerce for some years. He was appointed an assistant general manager in January, 1937. He had, however, wide experience in banking before he became a member of the administrative staff at head office, having served in various capacities in the province of Quebec, at New York, Hamilton and Halifax, as well as manager at Mexico City. In November, 1941, he accepted a war service post as administrator of services in the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, remaining in that capacity until February, 1943, when he resumed his position as assistant general manager at the head office of the bank. In recognition of his wartime service he was awarded the decoration Commander of the British Empire.

\$10,000,000 Since 1882

OTTAWA (CP)—Approximately \$10,000,000 has been distributed to fishermen in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces under terms of the Deep-Sea Fisheries Act since it was enacted in 1882, the public accounts report tabled in the Commons Friday shows. The payments, an outcome of the Treaty of Washington in 1871, are to compensate Canadian fishermen for loss of exclusive privileges

Ban Does Not Apply To Christmas Gifts

OTTAWA (CP)—Gift imports of items on the prohibited list will be allowed to enter Canada up to \$25 in value until Jan. 15, the Revenue Department said Friday, but the usual duty on all articles of more than \$5 must be paid.

and for competition from United States fishermen as a result of the treaty.

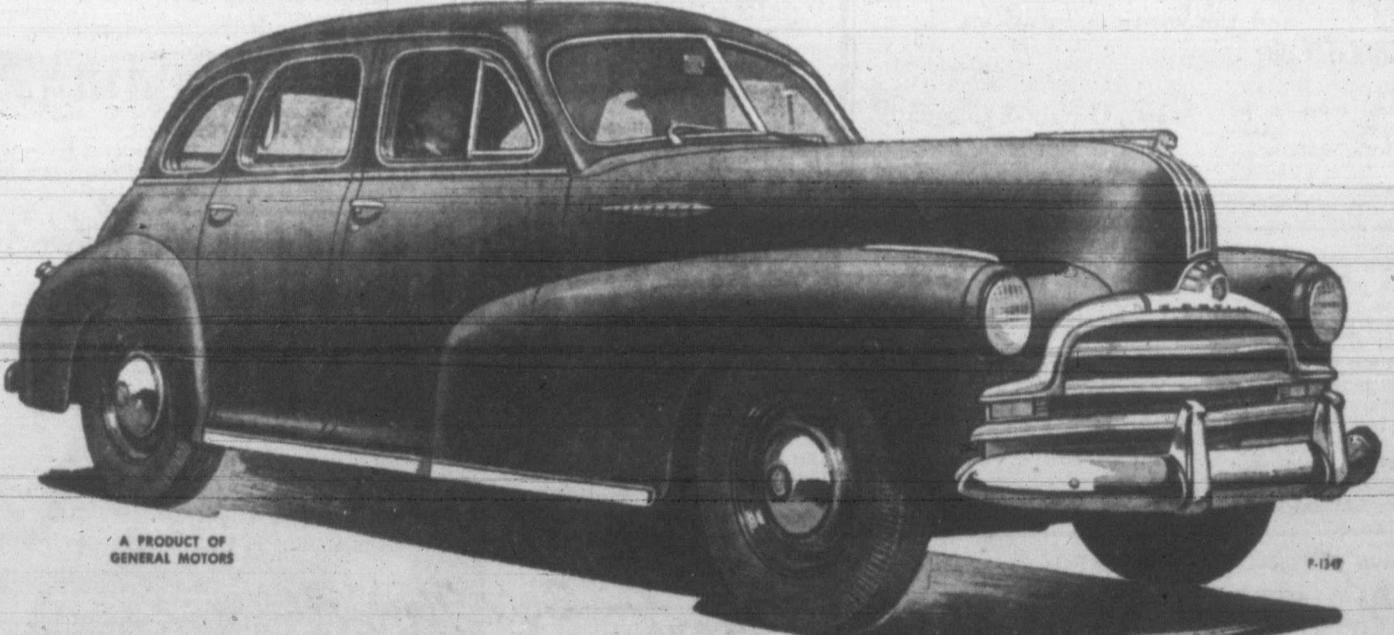
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Slight Progress For Leaders

NEW YORK (AP)—Selected oils, rails and industrial extended the recovery in today's stock market although progress for many leaders was slight. Dealings were among the liveliest for a Saturday since last May.

In the Canadian group, Canadian Pacific added ½ and McIn tyre spurted ½. Lake Shore was up ½ and Distillers Seagrams ½. Dome Mines slipped ½ and Hillman Walker ½.

Dow Jones closing averages:

30 industrials	179.34, up 0.97
20 rails	49.02, up 0.83
15 utilities	33.07, up 0.10
15 stocks	63.57, up 0.48
Total sales,	560,000.

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	Closing Bid
American Can	20.5
American Tobacco	33.0
American Smelter	58.2
American Tel. and Tel.	11.1
Amer. Can Co.	44.2
Anaconda Copper	34.3
Atchison, Topeka	84.6
Auto. Ind. Corp.	19.1
Bethlehem Steel	99.1
C.P.R.	19.0
Can. O. Railway	63
Chrysler	21.1
Con. Edison	10.2
Douglas Aircraft	186.2
Eastman Kodak	44.4
General Foods	33.1
General Motors	37.3
Goodyear Tire	82.2
Int'l Harvester	12.2
Int'l Nickel	26.1
Johannesburg	10.0
Kennecott Copper	46
Lewes Theatre	19
Montgomery Ward	13.6
New York Central	20.1
Northern Pacific	20.1
Pan-American Airways	8.1

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Chinese Choristers Rehearse For Carol Festival

By HUMPHRY DAVY

To prove at least in part when it comes to singing Chinese voices are equal to those of Canadians of European origin, a Chinese choir, the first of its kind in Victoria, will perform at the Metropolitan Church next week among 18 local choirs at a Christmas carol festival on Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

The choir is composed of a cheerful group of 30 attractive young girls. At least half of the members of the choir attend high school. The others work at various jobs in the city. There are only three male choristers. Conductor Norma Douglas, musical director at Victoria High School, assisted by Miss Evelyn Prisk, organized the choir a few weeks ago, and worked against time to have them ready for the festival. The choir is really an off-spring of the United Church Chinese choir which was formed in October of this year. The present group, however, is made up of members belonging to all religious denominations.

CHEERFUL, HAPPY

Miss Douglas finds it a real pleasure to conduct the girls in singing because of their cheerful and happy disposition. After a practice, the girls never fail to thank their instructor and to voice their appreciation for the work she has done for them.

To get the girls to sing in harmony in the Chinese language was one of the major problems Miss Douglas had to overcome. The difficulty was that most of them sang in the Cantonese dialect, but even then there were variations in pronunciation. The official Chinese dialect is Mandarin.

The Chinese voice differs somewhat from those of other races and has its own peculiarities. Their voices are light with a distinct ready quality and are more suited to light, soft music.

IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE

When some of the members were asked in what language they preferred to sing, they secretly confided they preferred to sing in English. They are all keen on Christmas carols. At the concert they will sing English numbers as well as a Chinese hymn composed by a Chinese musician in Shanghai.

Among this group of Canadian-Chinese girls are some of the busiest young people in this city. Some of their activities include attending Chinese school regularly on certain days of the week, participating in the social activities of their respective churches, and working for mission and charitable societies. They are all fond of dancing and roller skating. A few are good swimmers.

Neat and attractive, the girls are all clever needewomen and usually make their own clothes. They are meticulous at their work, polite to their customers

and clients, and rank high in the eyes of their employers.

As an example, there is Helen Lee, a member of the United Church Young People's Society.

Another well-known member of the choir is Rose Lee, a clerk at the Canadian Bank of Commerce. Many of the bank's clients

are named as alleged co-conspirators with the Du Pont Company, although they are not defendants.

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TODAY and TOMORROW

*Personalities in
The News*



MRS. JACK MENZIES



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The Social Scene

As the Christmas season draws closer, members of Victoria's younger social set share the spotlight with attractive visitors from other cities. Travel, a forthcoming wedding and a young collegian returning "home" for the holidays, share top interest in the pictorial presentations on this page today.



MISS PAT HENDERSON

Home for Christmas . . . Miss Pat Henderson is one of many university students who will be arriving in Victoria toward the end of next week to spend Christmas holidays with their families. Pat, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. G. Henderson, Despard Avenue, is a second-year student at University of British Columbia. She is at present on the staff of the *Ubyssey*, a daily student publication, and plans to make a career of journalism.

Bride's Attendants . . . Mrs. Jack Menzies of Vancouver has been invited by Miss Gloria Arnott to act as matron of honor at her marriage to Mr. Howard Bain Bagshaw which takes place next Saturday at St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay. Miss Diana Arnott, sister of the bride-elect will be the other attendant. All three girls have been friends since childhood days. Mr. Menzies, who will stand as best man at the wedding, will accompany his wife from Vancouver Saturday morning. They will be guests at the Empress Hotel.

To travel . . . the excitement of spending a Christmas and New Year Eve aboard ship, cruising in the West Indies, is in store for Miss Veryan Yarrow, who leaves Victoria this weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Yarrow, to fly to New Orleans. On Dec. 19 in New Orleans, the Yarrows join the cruise ship *Stella Polaris* for the holiday season. Later they will go to Nassau for several weeks, returning to Victoria in February.



MISS VERYAN YARROW

Photo by Bill Halcott

Retiring Premier Leaves Indelible Mark On B.C.

By DAVE DRIVER

The political career of Premier John Hart, who will retire probably next week, has been long and marked by steady, conscientious devotion to the affairs of the province. He is leaving an indelible mark on the life and political history of this province and has sold to a large proportion of the people of this province the conception that his government—a coalition administration of Liberals and Progressive Conservatives—has been the best that British Columbia has ever enjoyed.

The name John Hart, unknown in British Columbia about 40 years ago when he arrived in Victoria as an Irish immigrant youth of 19, will be linked for all time with the two greatest construction projects ever undertaken by the British Columbia government. The greatest single highway building program of the Provincial Works Department—the building of a road to link Prince George and Dawson Creek, thus giving the rich Peace River district of the province its first direct outlet with the Pacific coast—has been formally named the John Hart Highway. An even more expensive development, that of harnessing hydro-electrically Campbell River, will also be associated with Mr. Hart, who fathered the British Columbia Power Commission which undertook the development of Vancouver Island's mightiest stream.

SAVED RECREATION GROUNDS

British Columbians also in the years to come may thank their white-haired, former premier for saving them two popular recreation grounds. Mr. Hart, who ruled British Columbia with a gloved hand and probably displayed his greatest talents in financing and negotiation, was successful in winning back to the Crown, Hollyburn Ridge near Vancouver, and the H. R. MacMillan Park, which includes Cathedral Grove, one of the finest accessible examples of virgin timber on the coast. Hollyburn Ridge was exchanged by the province for other property. Through Mr. Hart's negotiations British Columbia's lumber czar made an outright gift to the province of the Cathedral Grove property. Mr. Hart then went a step further and negotiated with the Canadian Pacific Railway's Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway for properties adjoining MacMillan Park. A second gift was made to the province.

Last week the Premier took time off from his preparations for retirement from office to do a little reminiscing about his stewardship to the people of the province. In his office in the Parliament Buildings overlooking the carefully manicured lawns and the Inner Harbor, Mr. Hart armed with a thick scrapbook recalled the highlights of his life and work.

HAD TWO PLANS

The scrapbook, more than two inches thick, has been carefully kept for more than 30 years by his wife. It does not contain photographs of his boyhood and manhood, but contains clippings of newspapers showing the former finance minister and premier as he appeared before the public. The newspaper accounts of his activities had not been saved—altogether they would fill many volumes—but the Premier, with a mind still as alert as that when he played football in Victoria as a youth, recalled the exact date of many of the events and painted detailed pictures of some of his more outstanding successes in public life.

"INSIDE" STORIES

Occasionally the urge to tell the "inside" story of some of his now almost legendary financial deals was too great. A few amazing accounts he told, carefully guarding them still with numerous warnings that they were "off the record."

The scrapbook dates from 1916 when Mr. Hart first entered public life as a Liberal candidate for the Victoria seat in the British Columbia Legislature. Last pages of the book show the Premier on some occasions this year, when recognitions of his ability and work began to be made. But before opening the scrapbook Mr. Hart recalled his boyhood and early manhood.

He was born at Mohill, County Leitrim, Ireland, on March 31, 1879. His parents, John Hart, and the former Mary Reynolds, were both Irish and they were farmers. His grandparents and great-grandparents had likewise been tillers of the Irish soil, as had their ancestors so far as Mr. Hart knows.

The future premier went to Ross's School in Mohill. He had the urge to travel and decided to follow two older sisters to Canada. Arriving on the east

coast he came by train to Vancouver and immediately proceeded by boat to Victoria—driving here a youth of 19 with a desire for adventure but with no friend outside of an uncle and no knowledge that the future held for him such an important role.

The story of how Jack Hart won spontaneous success on the football fields of Victoria is well-known but he recalled it again. He had arrived on a Friday evening late in the fall and had got hold of a copy of the Colonist. On the sports page he learned that a game was to be played the following afternoon in Beacon Hill Park. Jack Hart had played football in Ireland and was quite prepared to play in Victoria. He had brought his togs along and, on Saturday afternoon an hour or so before the scheduled start of the game, he climbed into them and made his way to the park.

BECAME REGULAR PLAYER

Throwing off his overcoat at the field, Jack got into the warm-up before the game. Arthur Davey, a lawyer, recognized immediately his playing ability and short one man on his "Y" intermediate team asked the Irish youth to play for him. The team the following Saturday was to play in Nanaimo and Mr. Hart was asked to play again and he agreed, although "I didn't know whether Nanaimo was somewhere in the park or out in Esquimalt."

On the trip to Nanaimo by E. and N. train, Mr. Hart met and became friends with several players. They included Harry Lawson, the lawyer, H. H. Shandley, who now is Victoria's county court judge, and W. N. Winsley, later lieutenant-colonel, who lives in Oak Bay. These early friendships have lasted throughout his lifetime.

Following the Nanaimo game in which the Victoria team was victorious, Mr. Hart became a regular player and later joined the senior Victoria United team when it was formed. He played with this team for about 10 years. Many of his fellow players are still alive.

Jack Hart was a keen athlete and his sports were not limited by any means to football. He also played handball, grass hockey and tennis and later switched to golf—a game in which he excelled and thrice won the championship of the Seniors' Northwest Golf Association. As a youth he also loved horseback riding and owned his own mare. He was a member of a group which rode to hounds. Still a keen fisherman, in his early days in Victoria he fished all the streams of the southern part of the island, and more particularly Shawnigan Lake and the Cowichan River where he caught "anything I could get" including big trout and steelheads.

YOUNGEST FINANCE MINISTER

In those days it was necessary for the appointment of a minister to be confirmed by the people. In 1917 Mr. Hart was again facing the electors, his opponent being Dr. Ernest Hall, running on an independent Liberal-Labor ticket. The electors endorsed the 38-year-old minister, one of the youngest finance ministers ever named by a provincial premier.

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on service at Work Point with a coastal defence unit while Victoria went through one of her worst scares of the First World War when a submarine came into the harbor. Clean-up of all German vessels on the Pacific brought about Lieutenant Hart's transfer to the Willows and his posting to an artillery unit.

There for a time he was in charge of a small artillery unit boasting only a few batteries. He found army etiquette his most difficult problem.

ENTERS POLITICS

In 1913 John Hart, a popular young Victoria business man was nominated Liberal candidate in anticipation of a general election. When the election was called in 1916 Mr. Hart had been released from the army. He showed his political mettle from the start as organizer in Victoria for H. C. Brewster. The Liberals in Victoria had four candidates (Oak Bay was then part of the four-member Victoria constituency)—Mr. Brewster, the party leader; H. C. Hall, now Victoria magistrate; the late George Bell and John Hart. All four were elected and throughout the province the Liberals scored a landslide victory which brought Mr. Brewster into the Premier's office.

Jack Hart had worked hard to organize Victoria for the first campaign in which he participated. Since then he has been a candidate in five other general elections. He has always run in Victoria and he has always won.

Ralph Smith, who had been chosen Minister of Finance by Mr. Brewster, died before the House met early in 1917 and the premier carried on as Minister of Finance during the first part of the session. An adjournment was called in the session so that a committee could go to London to check up on the soldier-vote in a plebiscite on prohibition. This gave Premier Brewster an opportunity to get a new finance minister and he chose his party whip, and campaign manager, Jack Hart.

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Lays Down Reins Of Government



PREMIER JOHN HART

The Premier said last week. He noted that the provincial government held about \$70,000,000 worth of Victory Bonds, could borrow money anywhere at interest rates lower than those offered any other province. British Columbia bonds are quoted at prices among the highest offered for provincial debentures. The province's debts have been reduced considerably. While it is involved in a huge road and public building construction program, which has used up most of the huge revenue reserves built up during the war into unprecedented size, the province still has some of this money left for future projects.

GOOD DEAL AT OTTAWA

The Premier has driven some hard bargains, but he has frequently demonstrated his willingness to compromise. Probably his greatest financial negotiation was that concluded last year with the federal government in which British Columbia entered an agreement to lease corporation and income taxing rights to Ottawa. The Hart formula won not only for British Columbia but for other provinces more than many persons had anticipated was possible and well over double the original offer of the federal government.

According to newspaper accounts, Mr. Hart drove well the first spike in the keel of the first of the 20 ships. The celebration in the shipyard, followed by another on the steps of the Parliament Buildings, marked the beginning of the return of the Foundation Company for a fraction of the sum he had first asked.

Another deal which saved the people of British Columbia almost \$1,000,000 was Mr. Hart's decision in 1945 to refund \$7,000,000 worth of bonds due in New York. Mr. Hart had borrowed some of this money in 1935 when the province was hard up for money to pay relief costs.

The money was not available in Ottawa because British Columbia had demonstrated her financial solvency in failing to default. The money was not available elsewhere in Canada. Forced to go to New York, Mr. Hart got the money on a 10-year loan. Since the Canadian dollar in 1945 was pegged at 10 per cent discount in U.S. money, payment at that time would have cost the people of the province an extra \$700,000. Mr. Hart took another short-time loan, gambling that the Canadian dollar would return to par with the U.S. dollar before this loan came due, as it did.

After Finance Minister Hart had held office only for a short time during the First World War, he negotiated a deal which precipitated what he described as the greatest celebration Victoria ever had. Last week he told of these negotiations for the first time.

Mr. Hart is still a member of the Northwest Golf Association and the Victoria and Colwood Golf Clubs.

Mr. Hart's youthful enthusiasm for fishing has not been dampened. When time has permitted during the fall, he has been absent from his office at week-ends and sometimes for a whole week at a time to fish for the big spring and sporting coho of Cowichan Bay.

His Irish love of horses is likewise indestructible. Each race season finds the Premier in a box with his friends for the opening at the Willows race meet and he spends every other afternoon of the season there when the pressure of his duties will permit.

For relaxation during the other months, as well as golf the Premier enjoys cards. A shrewd negotiator financially, he

is an equally sharp poker player at the Pacific and Union Clubs.

As a host, Premier Hart has few equals in Victoria. His dinners and receptions have been highlights of the social events during the legislative session. His waltz is still today the envy of many a man and the joy of many a woman.

During his term as Finance Minister and Premier, Mr. Hart has met many of the world's great whose paths have led them to Victoria.

During the visit of the Duke of Windsor, then as Prince of Wales, to Canada, Mr. Hart accompanied him for a day that he spent in Victoria. They visited a fair and had a fine time. As chairman of a committee, Mr. Hart was largely responsible for the great reception accorded Lt.-Gen. Sir Arthur Currie, the First World War hero, on his return to Victoria. Later there was the visit of former U.S. President Howard K. Taft to Victoria.

"I drove him around in my car and showed him the sights of Victoria," he recalled.

Mr. Hart golfed with Lord Byng, Canada's Governor-General, following the First World War, taking an easy win.

In 1939 Mr. Hart, as finance minister, was chairman of a committee which planned the reception for the King and Queen. He treasures a letter from the King expressing regret that Mrs. Hart, who at the time was ill, was unable to be present. Mr. Hart also has a letter from Princess Elizabeth thanking him and the people of the province for their wedding gift.

During the early part of the war Mr. Hart met the late President Roosevelt during his visit to Victoria. Many are the ambassadors, ministers, and governors-general he has met.

REASON TO BE PROUD

Perhaps no premier has more reason to be proud of his accomplishments on retiring from office.

In 1945 as he led the Coalition government to the polls in a general election, he issued a 43-point manifesto. Today he says proudly that every one of the 43 projects outlined in the paper have been or are in the process of being effected.

EVERGREENS

When pruning evergreen trees and shrubs, special care must be taken or a lovely specimen may be spoiled.

Evergreens are different from other trees and shrubs in that they cannot produce new growth from old wood. If large branches are removed, exposing unsightly places, these cannot be readily covered up because no new growth can start there. The growth of evergreens is entirely from the ends of the branches. It is therefore necessary to keep this type of plant in shape by clipping the new growth while it is in active growth. This is generally done in April or May.

Evergreens that get too large or unsightly had better be replaced than to prune them back heavily.

Broad-leaved evergreens such as rhododendrons should not be pruned except to remove dead wood. After flowering remove all dead flowers and seed pods. When this type of shrub becomes too straggly, it may be cut back to the ground level in spring when new growth will quickly start.

FLOWERING SHRUBS

Shrubs can be divided into two classes, namely: Those which bloom in spring or early summer from buds on the wood of the previous year's growth; and those which flower in late summer.

The one I would like to have completed before I left office was the P.G.E." he said, but he added that he was confident that his proposal for the extension of the railway, for which spade work has already been done, will meet with the approval of the federal government and the two national railways.

HARD WORK

Premier Hart's success in public life has not come easily for him. It has involved a tremendous amount of hard work and today he would recommend any one following in his footsteps not to look forward to an easy time.

His success in politics he attributes largely to the long hours he spent in organizing campaigns before elections. That his financial wizardry was not an innate characteristic is indicated by the size of his library. It is said to be one of the most complete on orthodox finance and economics in western Canada. A further indication is the long hours the premier spends in his office.

Mr. Hart usually arrives at work at about 9:30 in the morning and his lunch-hour starts about 1. He is back on the job at 2:30 and works through until 5 or later. But he apparently reaches many of his decisions at home, after his regular working hours are over.

His home is on the brow of Gonzales Hill. Whenever possible the premier goes home for lunch, a light meal, with his wife, the former Harriet Mackay of Victoria, whom he married in 1908.

The premier would probably like to drop completely out of the public eye when he retires. But it is doubtful if he will be able to. And his is well, for, following a vacation which he has promised himself and his wife. Just as soon as his successor has learned the ropes, will be ready for many years of active life.

Cecil Solly's Column

Pruning Flowering Shrubs Requires Two Processes

In a previous article I gave the correct procedure for pruning fruit, flowering and shade trees. This article brought out quite a number of requests for similar information on the pruning of flowering shrubs.

The most simple rule, and the most

Backstage At 'Old Vic' With War Play, Pantomime



Two children listening intently to Reginald Hincks explaining one of the scenes of the Christmas pantomime on a miniature model stage. The children (left to right) are Marilyn McElmoyle and Jeannie Burns.

By HUMPHRY DAVY

If you want to know something about the theatre in the days when Victoria was the centre of dramatic art in the province, see Reginald Hincks, the man who introduced pantomimes to the city 38 years ago.

Reg. as he is called by his friends, is well known to old-timers and the present generation of young actors and singers. In his 76th year, the theatrical director is still actively connected with the stage and produces the Christmas pantomimes which have now become annual attractions for tourists across the border.

At his office at the School of Theatrical Arts on Broad Street, he was reluctant to speak about the old-time theatre.

"You shouldn't come to me," he said. "You should go to Herbert Kent. My recollections as compared with his are merely mushroom growths."

He was induced, however, to give us some back-stage information dating back to 1908 which will bring back to the memories of the older generations of Victorians some incidents that they may be happy to recall.

AT THE OLD 'VIC'

Mr. Hincks was first connected with the old Victoria Theatre which stood upon the site now occupied by Spencer's store, having its main entrance on Douglas Street.

"The Balmoral was directly opposite and the Brown Jug, just round the corner, were both very useful places when relaxation became a necessity," he said smilingly.

His description of the old theatre would shock theatre-goers of today. It had antediluvian back-stage equipment, and it enjoyed a reputation of being dirty and the home of a colony of rats. Many a time chorus girls refused to go down to dress until someone came to chase the rats away by throwing pieces of wood at them, he recalls. "For this purpose we used to keep a pile at the top of the stairs leading to the dressing rooms," he said.

But Mr. Hincks had a good word to say about the old theatre, despite all its handicaps.

"That old stage had what no other Victoria stage has had since—it had the real old theatre atmosphere," he said. "It felt and smelt just as the old stage used to do at home (England). Admittedly not a very pleasant atmosphere to those who are not accustomed to it, but very comforting to those who are."

Progress finally steamrolled the old theatre out of existence. After the war Mr. Hincks be-

gan producing another series of shows on the stage of the Playhouse. These proved popular. Each show consisted of the best silent picture, a comedy, a short and complete stage play, usually musical, running for about one hour. All this was given for the same price of admission that is charged at a cinema today.

PRINCESS SHOWS FOR RED CROSS

Then came the First Great War. Unable to help in any other direction, Mr. Hincks and a small group of actors suggested to the Red Cross that a regular income might be made by leasing the Princess Theatre on Yates Street and running regular shows entirely by voluntary effort. This house was originally the A.O.U.W. Hall. Then it became, in the following order the Princess, the Playhouse and finally the Plaza.

Mr. Hincks recalls that at the first meeting with Red Cross officials "they all thought we were completely mad and didn't hesitate to say so."

However, at the critical moment two or more far-seeing citizens came to the rescue and did not allow the project to die.

"They came to us and told us that they had deposited the sum of \$1,000 to our credit at the bank," he relates. "They told us to go right ahead, spend all that was necessary and to come back to them if we wanted any more."

The net result of the patriotic offer was that Mr. Hincks and a small group of actors ran shows continuously till the end of the war. The Red Cross benefited to the extent of many thousands of dollars. When the war came to an end the theatrical group was able to hand back the original sum of \$1,000, not one single cent of which had been touched.

CO-OPERATION, HARD WORK

Many people have asked Mr. Hincks how it was done. His answer is, "Whole-hearted co-operation from every single person to whom we went for help, plus a lot of hard work from such well-known Victorians as Mrs. Genge, Mrs. Curtis Sampson, Mrs. Tilton, Miss Marion Pitts, Stewart Clark, Herbert Kent, Archie Fairbairn, Jimmy Hunter, Harry Pearce, James Angus, Charles Williams and Major and Mrs. Taylor.

The Red Cross shows which were staged there had a 15-piece orchestra in the pit. It may be of some interest to music lovers to know that at the head of the orchestra, seated at a small cottage piano, was one of the finest women pianists in the world—no less than Gertrude Huntly Green of Victoria.

"Also, I quickly dropped English and Scottish dialects. Canadians loved them, but hardly any U.S. listeners could understand a single word in dialect. Too bad," Young concluded. "Dialects can be terribly funny."

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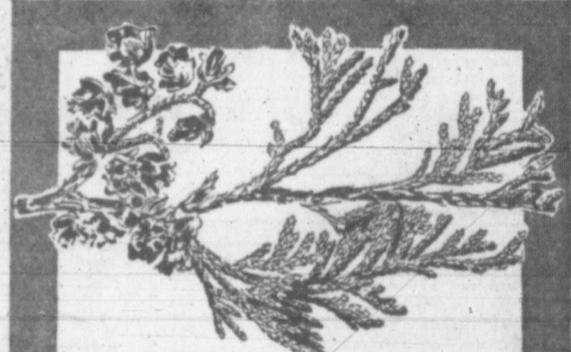


These two actors who performed at the "Old Vic" are Harry Davis, still practicing law in Victoria, and John Graham-Graham, former agent for the Dunsmuir estate.



Guess who they are? The trio made quite a hit in the old Victoria Theatre in 1910. Left to right, Phyllis Davis, now Mrs. D'Oyly Rochfort of Vancouver; Brian Drake, retired registrar of the Appeal, Supreme and County courts, and Doris Barrington-Foote, formerly of Victoria.

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